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ERADICATION OF CRIME!**

ALL I'M
HIT! M...MY
LEG! DON'T
LEAVE ME,
PLEASE!

STOP
SQUEALING
LIKE A PIG! WE
GOT ENOUGH
TROUBLES! GET
THE CAR GOIN',
WILL YA?

I'VE GOT
IT STARTED, BUT
IT WON'T DO US
NO GOOD! THEM
COPS ARE BACKIN'
INTO US!

THEY WANT
TO SHOOT IT OUT!
GIVE THEM
WHAT THEY'RE
ASKING FOR!

BACK UP
FASTER! DON'T
LET THEM PULL
OUT FROM THE
CURB!

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BIRO

A CRIME SYNDICATE, WHOSE POWER SPREADS ACROSS TWO CONTINENTS, IS BLASTED INTO OBLIVION WHEN ITS QUEEN ANT, ARNOLD KIEFER, MEETS THE LAW'S DETERMINATION AND FIRE-POWER! SEE INSIDE!



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OFFICIAL RECORDS OF CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

THE AUTO THEFT SQUAD, FAMOUS FOR ITS INCREDIBLE WORK IN RECOVERIES, WAS REQUIRED TO COMBINE ITS BEST TALENTS IN A CONCENTRATED EFFORT TO STOP KIEFER!



'CELLAR-DANGER' KIEFER



THE AUTO THEFT SQUAD LOCKED HORNS WITH THE TOUGHEST HOT-CAR RING IN HISTORY!

B. T. J. E.

IN CONSIDERATION OF INNOCENT PEOPLE INVOLVED AND RELATIVES OF OTHERS THE NAMES OF CHARACTERS DEPICTED IN THIS TRUE MAGAZINE ARE FICTITIOUS. ANY SIMILARITY TO NAMES OF PEOPLE LIVING OR DEAD IS ENTIRELY COINCIDENTAL. THIS IN NO WAY AFFECTS THE ACCURACY OF THESE STORIES WHICH ARE BASED ON FACT. the editors

MARY SULLIVAN

FORMER CHIEF OF THE N. Y. C. POLICE DEPT. WOMAN'S BUREAU
WITH 'CRIME AND PUNISHMENT' EDITORIAL CONSULTANT



I APPROVE OF THIS MAGAZINE AS A GOOD MORAL INFLUENCE ON OUR YOUTH! I RECOMMEND IT TO PARENTS AS A POWERFUL LESSON FOR GOOD BEHAVIOR!

MARY SULLIVAN, FORMERLY CHIEF OF THE NEW YORK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT WOMAN'S BUREAU, ACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH FAMILY TRADITION WHEN SHE ENTERED THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THAT CITY. SHE FOLLOWED THREE BROTHERS, TWO COUSINS AND AN UNCLE INTO POLICE WORK, STARTING AS A MATRON AND DETECTIVE. SHE SOON BECAME DIRECTOR OF THE POLICEWOMAN'S BUREAU, GREATLY HONORED FOR HER WORK—AWARDED THREE HONOR MEDALS—SHE WAS THE FIRST WOMAN TO BE APPOINTED FIRST GRADE DETECTIVE AND THE DEPARTMENT'S LEGION OF HONOR! IN THE COURSE OF TRACKING DOWN CRIMINALS, SHE HAS POSED AS A RICH WIDOW, A MURDERER'S WIFE, A CONFIDENCE WOMAN AND A CONVICT, AMONG OTHER THINGS!

OBEY THE LAW

THIS IS A TYPICAL DRY IN THIS GREAT EASTERN CITY! THE TIME IS ABOUT FOUR P.M.-DR. GUSTAV, AN OVERWORKED PHYSICIAN, IS MAKING A CALL...

WE DIDN'T LOCK UP! HERE'S YOUR CHANGE, JOE! SNATCH THE CAR!

IT'S ABOUT TIME! WE'VE BEEN TRAILING HIM ON HIS CALLS ALL AFTERNOON! I'LL SEE YOU GUYS LATER!

SAM, DID YOU TELL JOE TO BRING THE CRATE TO OUR JAMES STREET DROP?

YEAH, JOE'S DOING ALL RIGHT! HE'S SIGNALING! HE'S GOT IT STARTED!

DR. GUSTAV, WAS THERE SOMEONE WAITING IN YOUR CAR?

NO--WHY DO YOU ASK, MRS. RILEY?

BECAUSE UNLESS IT CAN DRIVE OFF BY ITSELF, DOCTOR, YOUR CAR'S BEING STOLEN!

GIVE US A FULL DESCRIPTION OF YOUR CAR, DOCTOR!

OKAY, HAVE YOU GOT A PENCIL?

HERE'S WHAT HAPPENED TO THE DOCTOR'S CAR BEFORE THE POLICE DISPATCHER COULD BROADCAST ONE WORD OF ITS DESCRIPTION TO POLICE CARS PATROLLING THE VICINITY OF THE THEFT!

YOU GUYS CAN TAKE OVER FROM HERE!

AN M.D.'S CAR, SHE OKAY, WE'LL GET TO WORK ON IT! WHO'S THE BIG BOSS OF THIS OUTFIT?

DON'T ASK ME! I KNOW THE GUY OVER ME AND THAT'S ALL I NEED TO KNOW--SO LONG AS I GET PAID!

SOME RACKET! EACH GUY'S JUST A LINK IN A CHAIN! ALL HE KNOWS IS THE NEAREST LINK, AND PERIOD! THE BOSS OF THIS WHOLE RACKET MIGHT BE MY UNCLE TILLIE AND I WOULDN'T KNOW IT!

THE VARIOUS "LINKS" IN THE CHAIN BEGAN TO WRAP UP THE JOB! FIRST CAME NEW LICENSE PLATES... THEN A PAINT JOB... THEN WHITE WALL TIRES... DIFFERENT HUB CAPS...

JUST LIKE NEW, JOE! NOW FOR A FEW MORE LITTLE TOUCHES HERE AND THERE!

SERIAL NUMBERS WERE CHANGED, A RADIO WAS EITHER INSTALLED OR REMOVED! THERE WERE NEW SLIP COVERS! FINALLY, THE TRANSFORMED CRATE WAS "CRATED"!

OBEY THE LAW

THEN THE SALESMAN TOOK OVER! SINCE THERE WAS MORE MONEY TO BE MADE ABROAD, A FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE SAW TO IT THAT DR. GUSTAV'S AUTOMOBILE TOOK AN OCEAN VOYAGE FOR THE HEALTH OF ALL CONCERNED!

SURE, I CAN GET RID OF IT, THEY'RE BEGGING FOR SEDANS AROUND HERE! TROUBLE AT OUR CUSTOMS OFFICE? DON'T BE STUPID! I'VE GOT THE RIGHT GUYS ON MY PAYROLL! SHIP THE GOODS AS FARM MACHINERY...



WHO WAS GOING TO LOOK FOR DR. GUSTAV'S CAR, TWO MONTHS LATER, IN SOUTH AMERICA!

A MAGICIAN NOBODY KNOWS! HE'S TURNED HOT CARS INTO AN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS! BUT LET'S GET DOWN TO CASES!

WE WANT FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS CASH IN AMERICAN MONEY FOR THIS CAR!



OF COURSE, LIKE MOST MEN WITH FORESIGHT, DR. GUSTAV CARRIED AUTO INSURANCE! SO HIS LOSS WAS NOT GREAT! BUT INSURANCE COMPANIES FACE A SERIOUS PROBLEM!

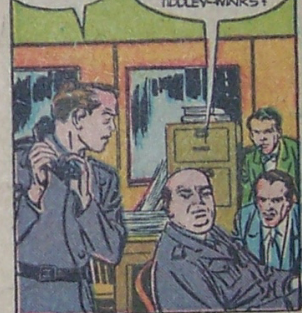
DO YOU MEN REALIZE THAT CAR ROBBRIES HAVE BECOME SO NUMEROUS THAT WE HAD TO INCREASE OUR INSURANCE RATES THIRTY PER CENT IN FIFTEEN MONTHS?

THE POLICE ARE DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN, MR. OTIS! I'M IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH THEM...



IT'S OTIS AGAIN, CHIEF! HE WANTS TO KNOW WHERE ALL THE CARS ARE DISAPPEARING TO!

TELL OTIS THAT THE WHOLE AUTO SQUAD IS WORKING NIGHT AND DAY TO FIND OUT! WHAT DOES HE THINK WE DO AROUND HERE? I'VE PLAY TIDDLEY-WINKST



EVERYBODY'S BEEN ON THE CHIEF'S NECK ABOUT THESE AUTO THEFTS... THE POLICE COMMISSIONER, THE PRES AND THE INSURANCE COMPANIES...

THEY WORK WITH KID GLOVES! THEY DON'T GO IN FOR KILLINGS OR ROUGH STUFF! BUT WHETHER IT'S ONE SYNDICATE THAT'S FALLING THESE JOBS OR FIVE HUNDRED... WE'RE GOING TO STOP 'EM!



THE CHIEF SPOKE TOO SOON! THE VERY SAME DAY, A SALESMAN WAS MORTALLY WOUNDED TRYING TO PROTECT HIS PROPERTY!

YOU FOOL! YOU KNOW HE DOESN'T LIKE STRONG ARM STUFF!

THE SUCKER WAS PUTTING UP A FIGHT! BESIDES, WHO IS HE? ALL I KNOW ARE YOU AND THE GUYS WHO OWN THE DROP!



THAT SALESMAN DIED THIS MORNING WITHOUT GIVING US A CLUE! I'VE GOT A HUNCH HIS DEATH AND THE CAR THEFTS HAVE SOME CONNECTION!

WE'VE PICKED UP EVERY HOODLUM WITHIN A HUNDRED MILES OF THIS CITY... BUT NONE OF 'EM WOULD TALK! EACH MEMBER OF THAT RING KNOWS ONLY HIS OWN FUNCTION! AND IF HE DOES HAPPEN TO KNOW ANYTHING, HE KEEPS MUM! HE KNOWS WHAT THE RING WILL DO TO THOSE WHO SQUEAL!



THAT DAY, A DETECTIVE TEAM OF THE AUTO THEFT SQUAD WAS MAKING A ROUTINE CALL...

WHY DOES THE CAPTAIN INSIST ON OUR CHECKING UP ON KIEFER'S RING, KIEFER DID TIME FOR AUTO THEFT TWICE! BUT THERE ARE A THOUSAND OTHER MUGS WHO SERVED SENTENCES FOR THE SAME THING!

THAT'S TRUE! BUT THE CAPTAIN FEELS KIEFER'S FRONT IS A PHONY! I DON'T TRUST KIEFER, EITHER! HE'S TOO SICK!



MR. KIEFER AIN'T IN! HE'S OUT ON BUSINESS!

YOU DETECTIVES ARE WASTING YOUR TIME! MR. KIEFER RUNS A LEGITIMATE TRUCKING BUSINESS!



OBEY THE LAW

MR. KIEFER THIS IS TOWNY. TWO DICKS FROM THE AUTO THEFT SQUAD JUST WALKED INTO OUR TRUCKING OFFICE! THEY'RE LOOKING THROUGH ALL THE FILES!

SO WHAT? MAKE 'EM FEEL AT HOME! OFFER 'EM SOME CIGARS! I'LL BE THERE IN TWENTY MINUTES...

TROUBLE, ARNOLD?

NOTHING UNUSUAL! THE COPS JUST CAN'T GET IT INTO THEIR HEADS THAT I'VE GONE STRAIGHT. I FEEL SORRY FOR 'EM! THEY'VE GOT ABOUT AS MUCH ON ME AS ON LITTLE LORD FAULTLERY. BUT I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE OFFICE ANYWAY. ALL CLEAR ON THAT NORWEGIAN SHIPMENT, LESTER?

IT'S IN THE BAG! JUST WATCH YOUR STEP WITH THOSE A.T.S. BOYS, KIEFER! THEY'RE AS SMART AS THEY COME!

MAYBE KIEFER HAS GONE STRAIGHT. I, FOR ONE, DON'T BELIEVE IT! THERE'S A ROTTEN STREAK IN KIEFER. NO LEGITIMATE BUSINESS CAN DISGUISE! HE'S JUST RAISED "CELLAR-DANCER" TO A HIGHER LEVEL!

I'VE HEARD THE BOYS REFER TO KIEFER AS A "CELLAR-DANCER." WHAT DOES "CELLAR-DANCER" MEAN?

A "CELLAR-DANCER" IS A CHEAP CROOK WHO HANGS AROUND A STORE PLOTTING NEIGHBORHOOD MISCHIEF! KIEFER WAS IN AND OUT OF JAIL FOR FIFTEEN YEARS—THE LAST TIME FOR MANSLAUGHTER! HE WAS TRYING TO ESCAPE A GUN WHEN AN OLD MAN STEPPED INTO HIS PATH. KIEFER WAS GONE OVER SIXTY...

KIEFER DID TEN YEARS FOR THAT PARTICULAR SWIPE. NOW HE PRETENDS TO BE AS CLEAN AS THE DRIVEN SNOW... A REFORMED CHARACTER! ASK KIEFER IF HE EVEN KNOWS WHAT A HOT CAR IS... WATCH THE INJURED EXPRESSION CREEP OVER HIS FACE. ONLY A FRAUD COULD PRETEND SUCH INNOCENCE!

A PROSPEROUS TRUCKER, THAT'S ME! LET THE COPS PROVE DIFFERENT! MY WHOLE ORGANIZATION WORKS IN THE DARK—SO HOW CAN THE DICKS LAY A FINGER ON ME? I NEVER PUT A FOOT INSIDE A STOLEN CAR! I DON'T CONSORT WITH THE CRUMMY CROOKS WHO PULL THE SNATCHES! THE WORLD KNOWS ME AS ARNOLD KIEFER, RESPECTABLE BUSINESS MAN!

HOW DID YOU START, ARNOLD?

LIKE A CLUMSY CHUMP! THAT'S WHY THEY HUNG THE HANDLE "CELLAR-DANCER" ON ME! I USED TO HANG AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD FIGURING OUT WAYS TO BREAK INTO STORES OR STICK UP CARD PARTIES! THEN I STOLE A CAR... BINGO! THEY NAILED ME! I WENT TO STR FOR A YEAR, BUT IT JUST ROLLED OFF MY DUMB BACK... BECAUSE I WENT RIGHT BACK TO JAIL FOR THE SAME THING—BUT I STILL DIDN'T WISE UP UNTIL I CAUGHT TEN YEARS FOR MANSLAUGHTER WHILE HUSTLING A CAR...

THAT WAS THE TURNING POINT! I STILL REMEMBER THE DAY I GOT HIT WITH THAT BOLT OF LIGHTNING. I WAS WALKING AROUND THE EXERCISE YARD...

YOU NEVER SEE THE BIG BOYS IN HERE! NO—THEY'RE TOO SMART. THEY'RE IN THE BACKGROUND WHILE SUCKERS LIKE ME TAKE THE RAP!

THE WHOLE TRICK OF BEING A BIG SHOT IS ORGANIZATION! PUT UP A SMOKE SCREEN AROUND YOUR LIFE... LET THE SMALL FRY STICK THEIR NECKS OUT FOR THE CHEAP BUCK! I'M THROUGH AS A CELLAR-DANCER.

OBEY THE LAW

I HAD EIGHT YEARS, TO GO! SO I TRIED TO PARE DOWN MY SENTENCE!

THIS MAN, GOVERNOR, IS A MODEL PRISONER! KIEFER IS AS REFORMED AS A MAN CAN BECOME WITHOUT SPROUTING WINGS!...YOU SEE THE LIGHT NOW, EH, KIEFER?

I'LL TRY TO BE A GOOD CITIZEN, SIR!

I HADN'T EVEN FINISHED FIRST TERM HIGH SCHOOL! SO I TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE PRISON LIBRARY AND LECTURES! I READ EVERY BOOK IN THE PLACE... I SENT AWAY FOR CORRESPONDENCE COURSES IN WRITING AND SPEAKING! IF YOU WANNA BE A BIG SHOT YOU CAN'T BE ON THE SAME LEVEL AS THE SLOB IN YOUR MOB!

KIEFER'S GONNA BE A LIBRARIAN WHEN HE GETS SPRUNG!

NAW, KIEFER'S GONNA BE A BOOK-MAKER, EH, KIEFER? HAW-HAW!

WRONG, PAL- I'M GONNA BE A MILLIONAIRE! THIS BOOK IS ALL ABOUT VERTICAL ORGANIZATION IN BUSINESS...

WHEN I GOT OUT THAT'S HOW I ORGANIZED MY RACKET- VERTICALLY! I DON'T HOPE TO WITH THE SCUM OF MY MOB ANY MORE THAN A BIG STEEL PRESIDENT PALS AROUND WITH HIS FURNACE STOKERS! THE RESULT? LOOK AT AUTO INSURANCE-IT WENT UP THIRTY PER CENT DURING THE PAST YEAR- JUST BECAUSE OF ME!

THAT'S SOME STORY KIEFER! NOW YOU'RE GONNA STAY INVISIBLE-HUH?

SO YOU FINALLY GOT HERE! DON'T GET TOO COMFORTABLE, KIEFER! THE CAPTAIN WANTS TO SEE YOU!

A PLEASURE, BOSS! I ALWAYS ENJOY THE CAPTAIN. HIS ACCUSATIONS TICKLE ME! LET'S GO!

AREN'T YOU GETTING TIRED OF SENDING FOR ME, CAPTAIN? I LEFT CAR STEALING BEHIND ME TEN YEARS AGO! AUTO STEALING IS A DUMMY'S RACKET! YOU'LL NEVER FIND ME IN A STOLEN CAR!

WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT, KIEFER! BRING IN THE PRISONER, MIKE!

TAKE A GOOD LOOK, LESTER- DID YOU EVER SEE THIS MAN BEFORE?

NOPE! I DON'T KNOW HIM! I TOLD YA BEFORE! I ONLY KNOW THE GUY OVER ME AND THE GUY UNDER ME...

THIS SQUEALER MUST BE STOPPED COLD! HE COULD TOUCH OFF A CHAIN REACTION OF SQUEALING! IF THEY KEEP PICKING UP MUG AFTER MUG THEY'LL GET TO ME!

AND SO THE ORDER WENT PERCOLATING DOWN THE ORGANIZATION TO GET TED LESTER! ACCORDINGLY, A BUDDY OF HIS JOE WELDON, BAILED LESTER OUT THAT VERY NIGHT...

THIS IS REAL SNEEL OF YOU, JOE!

THINK NOTHING OF IT, TED! THE ORGANIZATION CAN'T AFFORD TO LET A GUY LIKE YOU ROT IN JAIL! LET'S GET SOME DINNER!

THAT NIGHT LESTER'S BODY WAS FOUND RIDOLED WITH BULLET HOLES...

OKAY, LET'S GET HIM!

THE CHIEF'S ORDER IS TO PICK UP JOE WELDON!

OBEY THE LAW

JOE WELDON WENT THROUGH THE ENSUING GRILLING WITH THE EXASPERATING NONCHALANCE OF A HARD-ENDED CRIMINAL...

WHAT DO YOU DO FOR A LIVING?

I'M A TRAVELING SALESMAN.

WHAT DO YOU SELL?

NUTS! WANNA BUY SOME?

THERE WERE NO GROUNDS ON WHICH TO HOLD WISE GUY JOE WELDON, SO HE WAS RELEASED... OR SO HE THOUGHT!

FOLLOW HIM DAY AND NIGHT; WELDON'S MIXED UP IN THAT HOT CAR SYNDICATE UP TO HIS EARS! HE'LL EVENTUALLY LEAD US TO THE INNER CIRCLE!

GENTLEMEN, OUR NUMBER ONE JOB IS THIS HOT CAR RING! WE'RE GOING TO REFER TO IT AS "X". A NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO US! WE'RE GOING TO ACT ON ALL OF THEM UNTIL EVERY LAST RAT IN THAT SYNDICATE HAS FELT THE POWER OF THE LAW!

AUTO THEFT SQUAD

CAPTAIN ROGERS

A HUNDRED DETECTIVES PATROLLED KEY AREAS IN ORDINARY AUTOMOBILES! PICKED MEN WERE PLANTED IN A DOZEN GARAGES! DETECTIVES TOOK JOBS AS CAR WASHERS, MECHANICS, CAR PAINTERS...

SANDERS REPORTING ON CASE "X" - ALL QUIET ON NORTH AVENUE!

THINGS'VE GOTTEN TENSE EVER SINCE THAT COUPE CAME IN... THIS MUST BE IT! I MUST GET TO A PHONE WITHOUT AROUSING SUSPICION!

THIS IS FOLSOM, AT THE JAMES STREET GARAGE... RAID US... AND DON'T SPARE THE HORSES!

STAND WHERE YOU ARE!

THAT WAY, FELLERS! THEY'VE GOT ANOTHER ROOM BEHIND THAT WALL!

THAT BUM WAS WORKIN' FOR THE COPS!

HMM... LOOKS LIKE WE CAUGHT 'EM WITH THEIR FANBELTS DOWN! RAISE 'EM!

WHY ASK ME QUESTIONS? I CAN'T ANSWER 'EM, AND IF I COULD, I WOULDN'T!

IT'S HOPELESS, CAPTAIN! THE OTHER MUGS ARE CLAMMED UP TOO! THEY FIGURE IT'S A DEATH SENTENCE IF THEY OPEN UP...

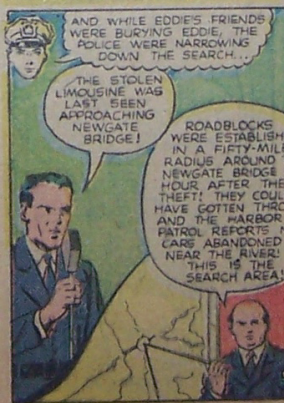
BOOK THESE SKUNKS AND HOLD THEM FOR TRIAL. WE'LL NAIL THEIR KINGFISH WITHOUT THEIR HELP!

SOMETHING DID POP TWO WEEKS LATER, IN AN EXCLUSIVE SHOPPING DISTRICT, THREE MEN SMASHED THE WINDOW OF AN EXPENSIVE LIMOUSINE...

IF YOU'RE THE CHAUFFEUR OF THAT LIMOUSINE MAC, YOU'D BETTER CALL A COP!

WHAT?

OBEY THE LAW



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HEY! WE'RE IN A SPOT! A POLICE CAR JUST TURNED INTO THE LANE!

BEAT IT OUT THE BACK WAY TO THE GARAGE! WAIT IN THE LOFT! I'LL GET RID OF THE COPPER'S FOR YOU! NOW GET GOIN'!

TELL 'EM THE TRUTH CHARLEY! THEN BRING 'EM OVER TO THE BARN! WE'LL PICK 'EM OFF ONE, TWO! COME ON, FETE!



WHO ELSE IS IN THERE? SPEAK UP!

THERE WERE TWO MEN! THEY JUST RAN OUT THE BACK WAY!

THANK HEAVEN THEY DON'T KILL ME! WHEN... I'LL TAKE YOU TO THE GARAGE! THAT'S WHERE THEIR CAR IS!

OKAY BUT DON'T TRY ANY SMART STUFF!



WHAT A NIGHTMARE! I THOUGHT THEY'D KILL ME LIKE THEY KILLED THE GUY WITH THE BULLET WOUND. THAT MOUND IS WHERE THEY BURIED THE GOOD CRITTER... BE CAREFUL NOW, THEY MIGHT BE HIDING INSIDE...

THANKS FOR WORRYING ABOUT US, GRAYSON, BUT IT DOESN'T JIBE WITH YOUR REPUTATION—YOU GO IN FIRST, GRAYSON—WE'LL FOLLOW YOU...



THE CARS HERE, ALL RIGHT... TAKE THE UPSTAIRS, TED! I'LL LOOK AROUND BELOW AND KEEP AN EYE ON THIS BIRD...

WHY DO YOU MISTRUST ME? I WANT TO HELP YOU!



OH... OH! FRESH MUD ON THE STAIRS! THEY'RE UP THERE ALL RIGHT!

LET'S GET SOME TEAR GAS AND SMOKE THEM OUT!



IN THAT TENSE MOMENT, GRAYSON WAS ABLE TO DRAW HIS HIDDEN PISTOL FROM HIS LEG HOLSTER!

YOU'RE WIDE OPEN, COPPER! DROP 'EM!



OHKK!

YOU ASKED FOR IT, GRAYSON!



COME DOWN, YOU TWO! YOU CAN'T ESCAPE! WE'VE GOT TOMMY GUNS! WE'LL RAKE THE LOFT FLOOR UNDER YOU TILL WE GET YOU!

YOU WIN COPPER! WE'RE COMING DOWN!

MAKE SURE YOUR GUNS COME DOWN FIRST! THROW THEM DOWN THE STAIRS!



CHARLEY GRAYSON PROVIDED SPACE FOR A HOT CAR IF OUR GARAGES WERE CROWDED IN TOWN, BUT THAT'S ALL I KNOW, COPPER... HONEST!

HOW ABOUT YOU, ALFRED? CARE TO ADD ANYTHING TO YOUR PAL'S STATEMENT?

IF HE WANTS TO TALK, LET HIM! I'M NO STOOLE!



OBEY THE LAW

WE'RE UP AGAINST THE SAME OLD STONE WALL, LT ECCLES! EITHER THEY KNOW NOTHING... OR THEY'RE AFRAID TO TALK! EACH CROOK WE CATCH IS A BLIND ALLEY... HE LEADS US NOWHERE...

CHIEF, I'VE GOT AN IDEA! IF ONE OF US WERE IN THE MOB... ON HIS WAY UP THE LADDER, WED SMASH THAT RING ONCE AND FOR ALL!

THE CAPTAIN ARRANGED LIEUTENANT ECCLES' IMPRISONMENT IN THE SAME CELL AS AL SEARS...

HI, THERE, FRIEND! THE NAME'S RAND... LEFTY RAND... FINISHING OFF FOUR YEARS FOR CAR THEFT...

YEARS I'VE ONLY FORTY YEARS TO GO!

ECCLES WORKED FOR MONTHS ON AL SEARS... COMFORTING HIM WHEN HE WAS DOWNCAST... SHARING HIS GIFT PACKAGES... LOOKING AFTER HIS HEALTH... LAUGHING AT HIS STUPID JOKES... TILL AT LAST THE TWO BECAME FRIENDS!

WHAT'S THE MATTER, LEFTY? YOU LOOK LOWER THAN A TOADSTOOL...

I'M WORRIED, AL! I ALWAYS WAS A LONER! I'D LIKE TO TIE UP WITH SOME FAST MOVING OUTFIT WHEN I GET OUT... AND I DON'T KNOW ANY!

IS THAT ALL? DON'T WORRY, LEFTY! WHEN YOU HIT THE BRICKS SATURDAY I'LL FIX YOU UP! YOU GO SEE MY PAL, JOE WELDON!

GOSH, AL! THAT'S MIGHTY SWEET OF YOU!

SO YOU MET AL IN STIR, EH? AL WAS LUCKY! HE MISSED THE CHAIR BY A HAIR'S BREADTH! THE CHAUFFEUR HE SPOT DON'T CROAK! TELL ME, LEFTY, WHAT'S YOUR SPECIALTY?

ANYTHING CONNECTED WITH HOT CARS... I CAN SNATCH 'EM, PAINT 'EM, GIVE 'EM A NEW SET OF GUTS AND SELL 'EM, TOO! YOU START ME ANYWHERE, JOE I DON'T CARE AS LONG AS I KEEP MOVIN' AHEAD!

THERE'S A FUNNY THING ABOUT THIS OUTFIT, LEFTY, NO-BOY GOES AHEAD EVERYBODY STANDS STILL!

WITH POLICE ASSISTANCE, LEFTY RAND COMPILED A FANTASTIC SNATCH RECORD BY COINCIDENCE, THE POLICE HAD AN EQUALLY PHENOMENAL SUCCESS IN RECOVERING THE MISSING AUTOS! I WONDER WHY?

LEFTY'S A WHIZ! THAT'S HIS THIRD CAR TODAY! HE'S WASTED AS A DRIVER! BETTER PASS THE WORD UPWARD!

FOR A LONG TIME "UPWARD" DIDN'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO LEFTY RAND... SO HE WENT BLITHELY ALONG, HUSTLING HOT CARS TO HIDEOUTS AND HUSTLING HIDEOUT MEN TO HOOSGOWNS...

I'M IN A JAW, LOUIE! I CAN'T GET MY CAR TO THE LATHAM AVENUE DROP! THE COPS ARE HOUNDING ME! AREN'T THERE TWO NEARER DROPS?

SURE, HERE'S THEIR ADDRESSES! BUT BE CAREFUL - SINCE THE COPPERHEADS BEEN DROPPING IN ON OUR DROPS, THE BOTTOM'S DROPPED OUT OF OUR MARKET!

LEFTY RAND WAS ONLY ONE MAN IN A SYNDICATE OF HUNDREDS... SO HOW COULD ANYONE DREAM THAT ONE "MASTER SNATCH ARTIST" WAS BEHIND THE DEATH-BLOW RAIDS SUFFERED BY THE RING?

HOW'D YOU FIND OUT THIS WAS A DROP? THERE'S A GUY UP AT HEAD-QUARTERS WHO DOES NOTHING BUT READ THE LEAVES!

PULL OVER, YOU RATS!..

OH, YOU WANT TO PLAY GAMES!

OBEY THE LAW

CONGRATULATE ME BOYS! I'M PROMOTED! NO MORE CAR SNATCHES... I'M NOW AN ALL-AROUND MOTOR MECHANIC! ERASE MOTOR NUMBERS, REPAIRS, RECORDATE... HOW'S THAT OR CLIMBING UP THE LADDER?

FINE, LIEUTENANT! ONLY LOOK OUT! THE HIGHER YOU GO UP A LADDER, THE LONGER THE RAIL! THOSE LEADERS WILL BE WATCHING YOU CLOSER THAN EVER.

HE'S RIGHT, LIEUTENANT! AND SO WILL WE!

I'M WORRIED, ARNOLD! NO MATTER HOW CAREFUL WE ARE, WE KEEP GETTING SMEARED BY THE AUTO THEFT SQUAD!

THIS NEW GUY... THIS LEFTY RAND... YOU WANT TO MOVE HIM UP... WHEN DID HE START WORKING FOR US?

ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO! RAND'S TERRIBLE! HE'S STOLEN MORE CARS THAN FOUR SNATCH MEN PUT TOGETHER!

AND EVERY CAR HE STOLE WENT BACK TO THE POLICE! I WANT THIS LEFTY RAND WATCHED! CALL IT A HUNCH, BUT OUR SET-BACKS BEGAN THE DAY HE JOINED US! THIS RAND GUY'S MIGHT BE A POLICE SPY!

HERE'S HOW THIS RING WORKS ON VARIOUS LEVELS OF OPERATION. ONE MAN FINGERS THE CAR, ANOTHER MAN SNATCHES IT, ANOTHER MAN DELIVERS IT TO THE MECHANICS! THE DROP MAN DELIVERS IT TO THE SALESMAN, THE SALESMAN DELIVERS IT ABROAD OR TO A CAR FENCE IN THE STATE! I'M AT THE DROP MANAGER LEVEL NOW! WHEN I'M MOVED UP I'LL MEET THE BIG CHEESE HIMSELF!

GREAT WORK, LIEUTENANT! THE CHIEF SAYS TO TELL YOU HE'S PROUD OF YOU!

STATE
SALE
MECHANICS
SNATCHES

AS THE AUTO THEFT SQUAD CONTINUED ITS SMASHING ARRESTS, RANK CRIPPLED THE KIEFER RING! THOSE UNFORTUNATE ENOUGH TO BE SENTENCED WERE TAKEN FOR RIDES AFTER BEING BAILED OUT!

DON'T DO IT, JOE! I DON'T SAY A THING, JOE! WHATEVER THE COPS ASKED ME, I KEPT ANSWERING NO, NO, NO...

BUT YOU MIGHT CHANGE YOUR MIND, SO... GOOD-BYE!

BANG! BANG!

MEANWHILE, OUT WEST KIEFER'S LEG-MEN WERE COMING TO A SHOCKING CONCLUSION!

KIEFER WAS RIGHT! LEFTY RAND IS A FAKE! HE NEVER WENT TO STIR BECAUSE HE DOESN'T EXIST! AND I-I CAN'T TAKE THE CHANCE OF PHONING KIEFER, EITHER! THEY MIGHT'VE TAPPED HIS WIRE BY THIS TIME! I'LL HAVE TO FLY EAST!

HE'S A COP—PURE AND SIMPLE! SO THE SOONER RAND FILLS A GRAVE, THE SOONER WE'LL STAY OUT OF OURS! I CHECKED HIS RECORD ALL OVER THE WEST! HE'S NOTHIN' BUT A SPYIN' COP!

I THOUGHT SO! WE'VE GOT TO ACT FAST! RAND WANTS TO MOVE UP THE LADDER... TO GET A CRACK AT ME! AND TONIGHT HE'LL GET HIS HEART'S DESIRE!

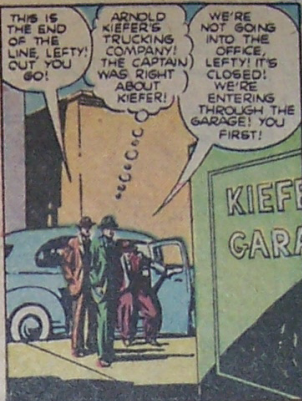
MARTY, WATCH ME TONIGHT! I'VE JUST BEEN INVITED TO MEET THE BIG BOSS! IT MIGHT BE THE KISS OF DEATH! THEY MAY BE WISE TO SOMETHING!

YOU CAN DEPEND ON US, LIEUTENANT! WE'LL STICK CLOSE TO YOU!

CAR 67 REPORTING ON CASE X! LIEUTENANT ECCLES JUST LEFT HOME BASE FOR AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION... IN AN UNKNOWN AUTOMOBILE! WE'RE FOLLOWING AT A REASONABLE DISTANCE! ANY FURTHER ORDERS?

KEEP IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH DISPATCHER ECCLES IN GREAT DANGER! RIOT SQUAD WAITING FOR APPROPRIATE SIGNAL FROM CAR 67...

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THIS IS THE END OF THE LINE, LEFTY! OUT YOU GO!

ARNOLD KIEFFER'S TRUCKING COMPANY! THE CAPTAIN WAS RIGHT ABOUT KIEFFER!

WE'RE NOT GOING INTO THE OFFICE, LEFTY! IT'S CLOGGED! WE'RE ENTERING THROUGH THE GARAGE! YOU FIRST!



AFTER ALL, A GUY THAT'S GOING TO THE TOP SHOULD MEET THE BRAINS OF THE ORGANIZATION! YOU SHOULD FEEL PRIVILEGED, RAND! FEW MEN HAVE SEEN WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO SEE TONIGHT!

HE'S TALKING ME! JOE'S WEARING A GAER... SOMETHING'S WRONGS!



MR. RAND, I'M DELIGHTED TO MEET A MAN WHO'S RISEN FROM THE RANKS THE WAY YOU HAVE! SUCH A MAN MUST NOT GO UNREWARDED! I'M GOING TO SEE THAT YOU GO UP EVEN HIGHER!... IN FACT, TILL YOU REACH THE GATES OF HEAVEN!

STAND STILL YOU DIRTY COPPER! SO YOU WERE ALIS' FRIEND! I OUGHTTA KILL YOU NOW!



YES, COPPER! YOU ACCOMPLISHED YOUR MISSION! YOU DISCOVERED THE LEADER OF THE HOT CAR RING! BUT WHO CAN YOU TELL ABOUT IT WHEN YOU'RE DEAD? DID YOU THINK THIS WAS A PENNY-ANTE RACKET JUST ANYBODY COULD BUST WIDE OPEN? GIVE HIM A TASTE OF WHAT'S COMIN' TO HIM, JOE!

YOU BET...



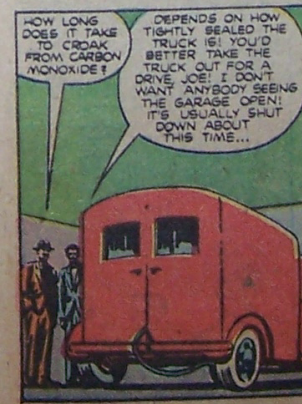
STICK HIM IN THAT TRUCK AND ATTACH A HOSE TO THE EXHAUST!

YOU'RE THE BOSS! AHE—I'D LET HIM HAVE IT BEHIND THE EAR! GIVE ME A HAND, NICK!



I'M WORRIED ABOUT THE LIEUTENANT, MARTY! HE SHOULD'VE CONTACTED US BY NOW! MAYBE IF WE CRUISE AROUND THE BLOCK, WE CAN LOCATE THE CAR THAT PICKED HIM UP!

OKAY! GET OUT THE TOMMY GUNS—WE MIGHT RUN INTO TROUBLE!



HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO CROAK FROM CARBON MONOXIDE?

DEPENDS ON HOW TIGHTLY SEALED THE TRUCK IS! YOU'D BETTER TAKE THE TRUCK OUT FOR A DRIVE, JOE! I DON'T WANT ANYBODY SEEING THE GARAGE OPEN! IT'S USUALLY SHUT DOWN ABOUT THIS TIME...



THERE, MARTY... LOOK... IN FRONT OF KIEFFER'S TRUCKING COMPANY...

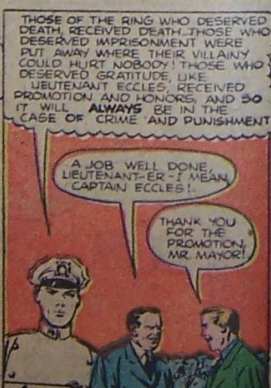
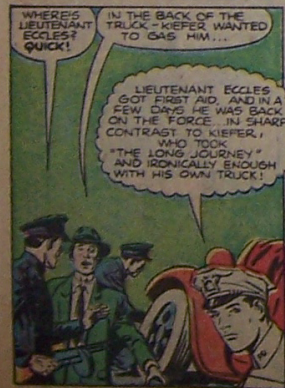
CAR 67 REPORTING ON CASE XI SEND RIOT SQUAD DOWN TO KIEFFER'S GARAGE! WE'RE INVESTIGATING NOW!



KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT! NOW OPEN THAT DOOR AND WALK IN BEFORE US!

S-SURE, OFFICER! ANYTHING YOU SAY!

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OBEY THE LAW

ON THE LEVEL

by C.H. MOORE

DRAWN ESPECIALLY FOR
"CRIME AND PUNISHMENT"



ART WILSON PULLED A ROBBERY AND WAS CAUGHT AFTER AN 80 MILE AN HOUR CHASE—WILSON ASKED THE COP TO HUSH THE WHOLE THING UP BECAUSE HE WAS STUDYING TO TAKE HIS CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS! HE RECEIVED A HEAVY PRISON SENTENCE INSTEAD!



CHARLES ATKINS of New York WAS STOPPED FOR SPEEDING 70 MILES AN HOUR — HE SAID TO THE OFFICER, "I WAS ONLY TRYING TO FRIGHTEN MY WIFE OUT OF HER HICCOUGHS!"



TOO PRETTY TO PROSECUTE!

THE TOWN'S CHARGES AGAINST BETTY THOMAS FOR ACCIDENTALLY DAMAGING A SIGN POST, WHEN HER CAR BACKED INTO IT, WERE DISMISSED WHEN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SAID SHE WAS TOO PRETTY TO PROSECUTE!



PETER CABEL of Arizona HELD UP A BOWLING ALLEY CASHIER AND GOT ONLY THIRTY FIVE CENTS—RUNNING OUT, HE DROPPED A DOLLAR FROM HIS POCKET! HE WAS CAUGHT—TOTAL LOSS—65¢ AND 90 DAYS!



"ON THE LEVEL!" THERE IS A POLICE RECORD, IN ONE STATE, OF A MAN WHO WAS ARRESTED FOR "DRUNKEN DRIVING OF A HORSE!"

SOMEONE IN THE U.S.A. IS ARRESTED FOR A SERIOUS CRIME EVERY 17 SECONDS!

C.H. MOORE

IT'S A CRUEL WORLD!

A MAN IN MARYLAND HID \$32 IN HIS SHOE AS A PRECAUTION AGAINST A HOLD-UP— HE WAS ROBBED AND THEY TOOK HIS WALLET AND HIS PANTS! THE VICTIM WAS ARRESTED FOR APPEARING ON THE STREETS WITHOUT PANTS AND FINED \$2.45



SELMA ROBERTS of Ohio WAS ARRESTED FOR DRIVING INTO ANOTHER CAR— SHE EXPLAINED TO THE POLICE OFFICER THAT IT WASN'T REALLY AN ACCIDENT BECAUSE THE OTHER DRIVER WAS ONLY HER EX-HUSBAND!



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DEDICATED TO THE ERADICATION OF CRIME

MANNY OWENS vs. JOHNNY FLETCHER

(GAMBLER-MURDERER)

(YORKSTON PATROLMAN)

THE BOXING GAME IN YORKSTON WAS CLEAN—UNTIL GAMBLER MANNY OWENS PUT PRESSURE ON BO KELLER TO TAKE A DIVE...BUT MANNY STUCK HIS CHIN OUT TOO FAR, AND A FIGHTING COP DELIVERED A HAYMAKER THAT FLOORED THE GANGSTER FOR THE PERMANENT COUNT!

OUT BY
FRED
GUARDINEER

DROP
THE GUN,
MANNY! YOU'RE
UNDER
ARREST!

TAKE HIM,
BOYS! WE JUST
SAVE ME MONEY TO
THROW THE FIGHT!
WE HAVE ALL THE
EVIDENCE WE
NEED!

WE HEARD EVERY-
THING, MANNY! THANKS
FOR CONFESSING TO
BO KELLER'S
MURDER!

LENNOK-
Y—YOU'RE
FLETCHER, THE
COP! AND ALL THE
TIME I THOUGHT
YOU WERE A
PUNCH-DRUNK
PLUG...

YORKSTON IS A BIG BUSTLING TOWN, BUT THE MAPLETON SECTION OF THE CITY IS QUIET AND HONEY—THAT'S WHERE THE FLETCHER HOME WAS LOCATED...

LOOK, LIL... I HAVE TO GET HOME TO BED MYSELF... MY MANAGER CALLS UP AT TEN EVERY NIGHT TO CHECK ON ME!

OH,
BO!

GEE BO... DON'T GO ON MY ACCOUNT! I HAVE AN EARLY BEAT TOMORROW!

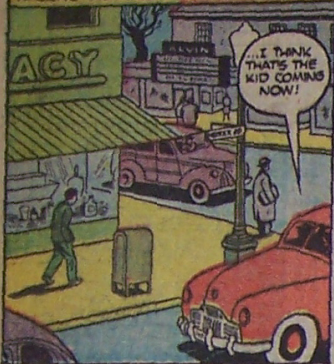
I CAN HARDLY WAIT TO SEE YOU FIGHT FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP, BO!

I'M GETTING SLEEPY, SIS, SO I'LL LEAVE YOU TWO ALONE!



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BO KELLER'S HOME WAS JUST FIVE MINUTES WALKING DISTANCE FROM THE FLETCHERS'.



HEY, BO... BO KELLER! HOLD ON A MINUTE...

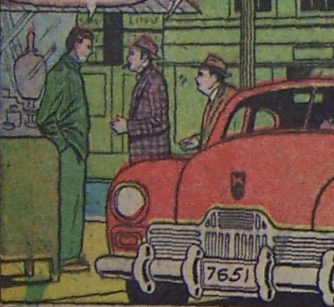


DID YOU CALL ME MISTER?

YEAH I GOT SOME BUSINESS TO TALK OVER WITH YOU! HOP INTO THE CAR!



WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS HAVE YOU GOT TO TALK ABOUT THIS TIME OF NIGHT? MAKE IT SHORT! I'LL LISTEN TO YOU RIGHT HERE!



YOU DON'T MAKE SENSE MISTER! I'M NOT GOING TO LOSE...



YOU COULD IF IT WAS WORTH YOUR WHILE BO- AND YOU COULD ALWAYS GET A RETURN MATCH WITH RIO! LET'S TALK TURKEY, BO! HOW MUCH DO YOU WANT TO TAKE A DIVE?



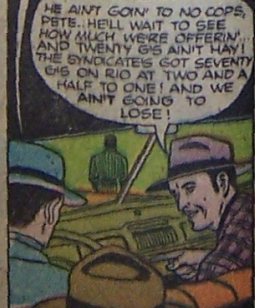
...WHY, YOU BUMBY-



LISTEN, KELLER... I AIN'T ASKING YOU TO MAKE UP YOUR MIND RIGHT NOW... GO SLEEP ON IT- I'LL GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU BEFORE NEXT FRIDAY!



MAYBE IT WASN'T SUCH A HOT IDEA, MANNY- MAYBE WE OUGHTA FORGET ABOUT KELLER- WHAT IF HE GOES TO THE COPS...?



BY THE TIME FRIDAY HAD ROLLED AROUND, BO, BUSILY PREPARING FOR HIS MATCH WITH BO, HAD FORGOTTEN MANNY OWENS'S PROPOSITION, UNTIL HE RECOGNIZED A VOICE...

PSSEET...HEY, KELLER...FORGET OUR DATE?

HUH? HOLD IT, LOU--

HEY! WHAT'S THE IDEA STOPPING NOW? YOU'VE GOT A COUPLE ROUNDS TO GO!

...YOU'RE THE PENEY WHO STOPPED ME THE OTHER NIGHT... WHAT DO YOU WANT HERE, MISTER?

FINISH YOUR TWO ROUNDS, KID! I'LL STAY AROUND!

I'VE HEARD ALL YOU'VE GOT TO SAY, BUDDY--AND YOU GOT MY ANSWER--IT'S NO!

I'LL TALK FAST, BO... LOOK, ME AND SOME GUYS WENT IN DEEP BETTING ON KID BO-- IT'S WORTH TWENTY GRAND TO YOU! YOU'LL BE PRIDING YOURSELF ON IT...

HEY THERE! WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' TALKIN' TO MY BOY OWENS?

IT'S OKAY, KARD--I'VE GOT TO FIND OUT TO THE KID'S CONDITION BEFORE I MAKE A BET DON'T I?

JUST DON'T LET ME CATCH YOU WITHIN A MILE OF BO! NOW BEAT IT BEFORE I CALL A COP!

OH, KARD-- I'LL GO!

THE DIRTY RAT-- TRYIN' TO BRIBE ME INTO TAKIN' A DIVE NEXT FRIDAY? I DUGHTTA BART HIS BARS IN!

TAKE IT EASY, BO! CALM DOWN! HE WON'T BOTHER YOU ANY MORE!

LISTEN, BO-- OWENS'D CROSS HIS OWN GRANDMA FOR A BUCK! HE'S JUST TRYING TO GET YOU ON EDGE! FORGET HIM!

YEAH, SURE, NICKY-- I'LL BE OKAY!

BUT NICKY KARD WEN'T FORGETTING OWENS, FOR LATER THAT DAY HE VISITED DISTRICT ATTORNEY DANIEL GILBERT...

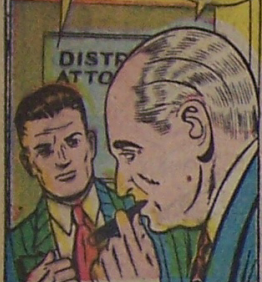
WITHOUT WITNESSES, NICKY, THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO TO OWENS-- YOU KNOW THAT! ANYHOW, YOU'VE GOT NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT... YOU'RE CLEAN!

OWENS IS A RATTY BUY, DANNY! I DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO HAPPEN TO BO--

OBEY THE LAW

ALL RIGHT, KARD—I'LL TELL YOU WHAT—WELL GIVE BO A BODYGUARD TILL AFTER THE FIGHT... A COUPLE OF PLAINCLOTHES BOYS—AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT—BO WON'T EVEN KNOW HE'S BEING PROTECTED!

THANKS DANNY!



IF BO KELLER WAS TRYING TO FORGET MANNY OWENS THE GAMBLER WASN'T FORGETTING HIM...

YOU KNOW WHO THIS IS, BO—IT'S WEDNESDAY, KID—TWO MORE NIGHTS! REMEMBER—TWENTY G'S... AND IF YOU WANT TO STAY HEALTHY, YOU'D BETTER TAKE THE OFFER—THAT'S ALL!

LISTEN OWENS! NEXT TIME I SEE YOU—HELLO! HELLO! THE RAT HUNG UP!



WHAT'S THE MATTER, DEAR? I HEARD YOU SHOUTING AT SOMEONE...

OH... HELLO, MOM... IT WASN'T ANYTHING... JUST SOME SMART ALECK...

THE BIG NIGHT HAS ARRIVED... AN UNDER-CURRENT OF TENSE EXCITEMENT GOES THROUGH THE RING...



AND NOW, SULLIVAN IS READY TO MAKE HIS ANNOUNCEMENT... HE'S HAVING TROUBLE GETTING THIS GREAT CROWD QUIET... BO KELLER IS ENTERING NOW... HE SEEMS A LITTLE NERVOUS! HIS MANAGER, NICKY KARD, IS GIVING HIM LAST MINUTE ADVICE!

LADEES AN! GENTLEMEN... PLEASE! YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE.

JUST GIVE HIM A LOT OF ROOM FOR THE FIRST THREE ROUNDS, KID—REMEMBER HE'S DANGEROUS ON THE IN-FIGHTING, BUT HE TRES QUICK...



AMONG THE EAGER FANS OUTSIDE...

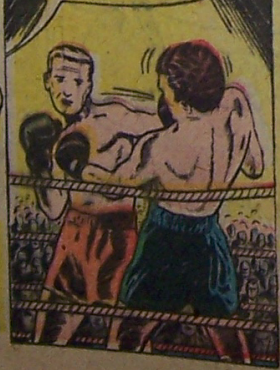
AND THERE GOES THE BELL! BOTH MEN COME OUT OF THEIR CORNERS!

...GO GET 'EM, BO! KELLER'S A FRIEND OF MINE... GOES WITH MY SISTER!



LOOK, JOHNNY, I GOT A BET ON HIM... SHUT UP SO I CAN HEAR!

RIO BLOCKS A LEFT... AND... ROCKS KELLER WITH HIS OWN LEFT...



...AND THERE GOES THE BELL ENDING THE FIRST ROUND! THAT KID RIO IS SHOWING SURPRISING STRENGTH! HE HAD KELLER PLENTY WORRIED...



CLANG!!

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"KELLER IS NOT HIMSELF TONIGHT! RIO HAS COMPLETELY OUTPOINTED HIM IN THE FIRST TWO ROUNDS..."

COME ON, KELLER. MAKE IT A FIGHT! START PUNCHIN'!

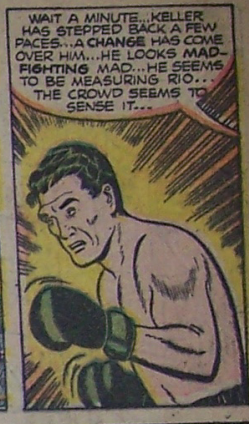


IN ROUND THREE, BO CAUGHT SIGHT OF A FACE... ONE LEERING FACE AMONG THE THOUSANDS...

NICE GOING, KID!

OWENS... MANNY OWENS!

HUH? COME ON, KELLER!



WAIT A MINUTE. KELLER HAS STEPPED BACK A FEW PACES... A CHANGE HAS COME OVER HIM... HE LOOKS MAD-FIGHTING MAD... HE SEEMS TO BE MEASURING RIO... THE CROWD SEEMS TO SENSE IT...



OH! WHAT A WALLOP... RIO SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN THE ONLY PERSON HERE IN THE GARDEN WHO DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS COMING! KELLER BROUGHT A LIGHTNING RIGHT UP TO THE CHALLENGER'S JAW--JUST ONE PUNCH, FOLKS AND I'LL BE SURPRISED IF RIO SURVIVES IT!



THE WINNAR... BY A KNOCKOUT IN TWO MINUTES, NINE SECONDS IN THE THIRD ROUND... BO KELLER!

KELLER SEEMS TO BE STARING UP THE AISLE AT SOMETHING OR SOMEBODY... WAIT... I'LL SEE IF I CAN GET HIM TO SAY A FEW WORDS--

COME ON, SPOT-- I'LL HAVE TO TRY TO EXPLAIN TO EVANS!



A SHORT WHILE LATER... MANNY OWENS HAS SOME EXPLAINING TO DO!

SURE--YOU HAD IT ALL RIGGED... SO IT COST US SEVENTY GRAND, AND THEN YOU COME HERE AND TELL US YOU'RE SORRY!

QUIET, EVANS! I TOOK A BEATING TOO, DIDN'T I? AND I'M MAD! WHAT'RE WE GOIN' TO DO ABOUT IT?



SOMEBODY'S GOT TO TAKE CARE OF KELLER, MANNY-- AND YOU'RE IT!

OKAY, BUT I'LL TAKE SOME FIGURIN'. DON'T FORGET, HIS MANAGER SAW ME TALKING TO HIM!



THAT'S YOUR HEADACHE, MANNY. GET. KARD TOO IF YOU GOTTA... OR ELSE MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO TURN UP IN AN ALLEY--OKAY, WE LOST... BUT THERE'S GOT TO BE AN EXAMPLE SET FOR THE NEXT BUM THAT WONT PLAY BALL WITH US, SEE?

YEAH, I SEE!

OBEY THE LAW

A FEW NIGHTS LATER, BO KELLER AND HIS MANAGER WERE COMING FROM THE OFFICES OF THE YORKISTON BOXING ASSOCIATION, WHERE BO HAD JUST SIGNED A CONTRACT...

COME ON, NICKY! LIL AND I WANT TO TAKE IN A MOVIE TONIGHT... WHERE'S IKE?

HE MET A FRIEND INSIDE—HE SAYS FOR US TO GO ON—HELL CATCH UP TO US...



NICKY! LOOK OUT! WHERE'S THAT FOOL THINK HE'S GOING?

WOW! I DIDN'T SEE HIM—NO LIGHTS!



SLOW DOWN A LITTLE, BURNS... I WANT TO MAKE THIS GOOD!

BANG! BANG! BANG! BANG!



WHAT WAS ALL THE SHOOTIN'... HOLY COW! IT'S NICKY AND BO!

THEY'RE DEAD!



THE ENTIRE SPORTING WORLD WAS UP IN ARMS—THE PRESS OF YORKISTON ROARED FOR ACTION BY THE POLICE, AND DANNY GILBERT, AS WELL AS EVERY MAN ON THE FORCE, WAS DETERMINED TO GET THE MURDERERS OF THE POPULAR FIGHTER AND HIS MANAGER...

...I THINK I SAW THE CAR... IT WAS PRETTY FAR OFF BY THE TIME I GOT OUTSIDE... I'D JUST LIKE TO GET MY HANDS ON THE SKUNKS! I'D KILL 'EM!

I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, DUNN... YOU WERE BO'S TRAINER! YOU'D BETTER GO HOME AND REST—I'LL GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU LATER!



MISS HEALY... WILL YOU SEND OFFICER FLETCHER IN HERE...



YOU KNOW WHY I SENT FOR YOU, FLETCHER? I UNDERSTAND KELLER WAS A FRIEND OF YOURS! TELL ME—DO YOU KNOW MANNY OWENS?

MANNY OWENS? NO SIR... THAT IS—I'VE HEARD ABOUT HIM—A GAMBLER, ISN'T HE?



BO'S MANAGER, KARD SAID OWENS VISITED HIM LAST WEEK... THERE WAS SOME KIND OF ARGUMENT ABOUT OWENS TRYING TO GET BO TO THROW THE FIGHT—BUT KARD'S DEAD, TOO!

WHEN I BRING THE MURDERER TO TRIAL I WANT AN AIR-TIGHT CASE...

BO NEVER MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT IT TO LIL—MY SISTER—OR ME—I'LL GET HOLD OF OWENS AND SQUEEZE THE TRUTH OUT OF HIM!



OBEY THE LAW

WE DON'T WORK THAT WAY FLETCHER... YOU KNOW THAT... BUT LISTEN... I'M GETTING AN IDEA... A COUPLE OF REPORTERS IN THIS TOWN OWE ME A FAVOR...

DISTRICT ATTORNEY GILBERT'S PLAN BEGAN TO TAKE FORM WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

FISTIC DYNAMITER BLASTS HIS WAY OUT OF THE WEST



ARMY LENNOX SENSATIONAL MIDDLEWEIGHT COMING EAST WITH UNBEATEN RECORD OF 28 KAYOS AND 19 DECISIONS. FIRST OPPONENT HERE WILL BE KID RIO.

WHAT DO YOU THINK, MANNY? MAYBE WE CAN MAKE UP FOR OUR LOSS ON THE LAST RIO FIGHT—AND THEN SOME!

I DON'T KNOW... KELLY—THE COPS ARE SUSPICIOUSLY QUIET ABOUT KILLER'S MURDER!



AW, YOU'RE A CHUMP, MANNY! FIRST YOU WORRY ABOUT THE COPS CLOSING IN—THEN YOU MOAN BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT BOTHERING US! WE GOT SEVENTY GRAND TO GET BACK! DON'T FORGET THAT, MANNY!

JUST TWO DAYS LATER JOHNNY FLETCHER, ALIAS ARMY LENNOX, MADE HIS FIRST REPORT TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY...

CARRYING OUT GILBERT'S INSTRUCTIONS FLETCHER MET WITH MANNY OWENS AND HIS MEN—UNKNOWN TO THEM, THERE WAS A DICTAPHONE CONCEALED IN THE ROOM...

YEAH SURE—THEY GOT NOTHING ON US... DON'T WORRY, MOE... I'LL HAVE THAT WHAT'S-HIS-NAME—LENNOX—IN MY PALM!

... SO OWENS HAS ALREADY CONTACTED YOU! FINIS, THAT GUY AND HIS PAL WON'T WASTE ANY TIME GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS! NOW, HERE'S HOW WE GO ON FROM THIS POINT. UH, WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO SEE HIM—AT HIS PLACE—I MEAN...?

I WANTED YOU TO MEET SOME OF MY FRIENDS, LENNOX! BOYS, THIS IS ARMY LENNOX—A RIGHT GUY AND A GOOD FIGHTER!

GLAD TO KNOW YOU GUYS



NO! THANKS, MANNY! NOT WHILE I'M IN TRAINING—AND SPEAKING OF THAT, I'VE GOT TO TURN IN EARLY... I'M MEETING KID RIO IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS IF MY MANAGER CAN FIX IT!

SURE, KID... AND THE SMART MONEY'S GOIN' TO BE ON YOU! BUT I THINK MAYBE YOU'RE SMART ENOUGH TO LISTEN TO AN OFFER—

SUPPOSIN' WE WAS TO BET ON RIO—SURE, HE'S A PUSH-OVER... EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT. BUT SUPPOSIN' WE WAS TO PUT A BET OF TEN GRAND ON KID RIO FOR YOU? NOW JUST SUPPOSIN'—

WOW! THAT'S BIG TALK! LOOK, I'VE GOT NO OBJECTIONS TO AN EASY BUCK DOC, BUT I'VE GOT TO THINK ABOUT IT—



OBEY THE LAW

WHAT'S THERE TO THINK ABOUT, LENNOX? TEN G'S FOR A DIVE-- AND AT WHATEVER THE ODDS ARE AT FIGHT TIME!

SOUNDS GOOD, OWENS! I STILL WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT...

OKAY, LENNOX-- TAKE THIS POCKET MONEY TILL YOU DECIDE-- BUT REMEMBER, WE GOT A LOT OF LOST DOUGH TO MAKE UP-- WE WON'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER! WE TOOK CARE OF ONE GUY LENNOX... WOULDN'T PLAY OUR WAY LENNOX... YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO BO KELLER-- I TOOK CARE OF HIM PERSONALLY...

THAT DOES IT, BOYS! LET'S GET 'EM!

OPEN UP IN THERE! WE'RE THE POLICE! OPEN UP OR WE'LL BREAK DOWN THE DOOR!

LET'S GET OUTTA HERE!

HERE'S ONE FOR BO KELLER, OWENS!

LENNOX-- YOU'RE A COPPER! OWWWW!

WHAT'S A MATTER WITH YOU GUYS-- ARE YOU YELLOW? I GOT A MURDER RAP TO FACE! GET THAT COPPER!

DON'T BE A DOPE, MANNY-- WE AIN'T GOT A CHANCE!

DROP THAT GUN, OWENS, OR YOU'LL NEVER GET TO THE HOT SEAT! OKAY, SUCKER...

SORRY I COULDN'T SAVE OWENS FOR YOU, MR. GILBERT! HE GOT SCARED AND TRIED TO PUT ME WHERE HE PUT BO...

THAT'S OKAY, JOHNNY... NICE WORK! I'VE GOT ENOUGH ON THE REST OF 'EM FOR A TRIAL... WE'LL CLOSE THIS CASE!

THE REMAINS OF THE BROKEN GAMBLING RING WERE GIVEN A SPEEDY TRIAL AND ALL RECEIVED HEAVY SENTENCES...

POOR BO! TO THINK THAT IT COST HIS LIFE FOR THOSE RATS TO GET WHAT WAS COMING TO THEM!

YOU DID A GRAND JOB, JOHNNY! BO WOULD BE PROUD IF HE KNEW!

KILLERS GET 50 YEAR LIFES
THE END

**This'll
KILL YA!**



STATE PRISON
ANNUAL
Masquerade

WE SHOULD'VE
KNOWN BETTER
GUY'S MADE
ANOTHER BREAK
FOR IT!



I TOLD
YOU NUMBER 501
WOULD BEAR
WATCHING!



OH AFTER
YOU'VE BEEN
HUNG ANHILL
YOU GET LIVED
BY A MAN!

FIRE HOUSE
District #12



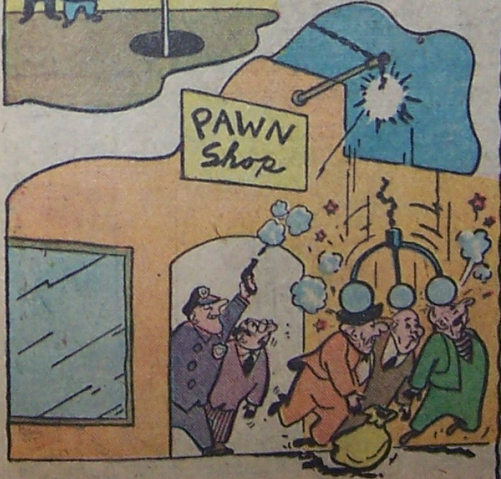
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PAWN
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WELL
IF IT'S A
RACKET, IT'S
A GOOD
ONE!

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DEDICATED TO THE ERADICATION OF CRIME

THE END OF THE DANTON MOB!

HOW A CLEVER WOMAN DETECTIVE, OFFICER ALICE PURDY, USED HER WIT AND INITIATIVE IN BREAKING UP THIS GANG OF HEARTLESS CUT-THROATS!

the DANTON MOB ALL KILLED
MAY, 1938



WHEN A KILL-CRAZY BANDIT MOB BEGAN TO STALK THE POLICE AND EVEN AMBUSHED THE CHIEF AND TWO OF HIS DETECTIVES, IT TOOK A CLEVER WOMAN OFFICER TO FERRET OUT THE CLUES THAT LED THE GANG INTO A TRAP!



A COP! WE'VE BEEN FOLLOWED!

NOT FOLLOWED! TRAPPED! THERE ARE MORE OUT BACK!

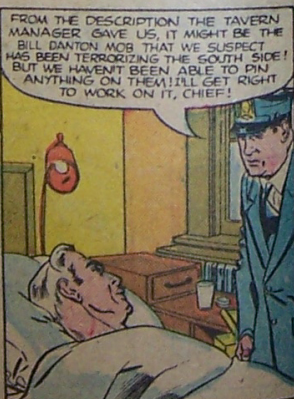
YOU HAVEN'T A CHANCE, DANTON! DROP IT!

T. DE PRETA



THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE GOING TO BE OKAY, CHIEF! TELL ME, DID YOU GET A GOOD LOOK AT THEM?

NO, WE DIDN'T! WE SPOTTED THE GANG COMING OUT OF THE TAVERN BUT WE DIDN'T SUSPECT THEY WERE THIEVES! THEN SUDDENLY THEY OPENED UP ON US! WE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A CHANCE TO DRAW! WE GOT THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THE CAR - IT WAS 34-56-8K!



FROM THE DESCRIPTION THE TAVERN MANAGER GAVE US, IT MIGHT BE THE BILL DANTON MOB THAT WE SUSPECT HAS BEEN TERRORIZING THE SOUTH SIDE! BUT WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO PIN ANYTHING ON THEM! I'LL GET RIGHT TO WORK ON IT, CHIEF!

OBEY THE LAW

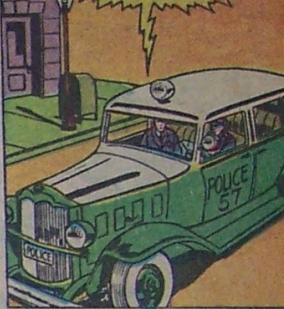
THERE'S ONE THING I'M QUITE CERTAIN OF AND THAT IS THAT THE MOB COMES FROM THE NORTH SIDE! OF THE LAST TWENTY STICK-UPS IN THE CITY, NOT ONE HAS BEEN IN THAT SECTION! WE SUSPECT IT'S THE DANTON MOB—THEY'RE FROM THE NORTH SIDE!



LIKE ALL BANDITS WITH AN OUNCE OF BRAINS, THEY DON'T OPERATE CLOSE TO HOME! STARTING AT ONCE, I'M DETAILING EVERY AVAILABLE PLAINCLOTHESMAN TO THE NORTH SIDE!



CARS 12 AND 17, GO IMMEDIATELY TO 2256 CRESCENT DRIVE! BRADLEY'S MARKET HAS JUST BEEN ROBBED... REPEAT... CARS 12 AND 17...



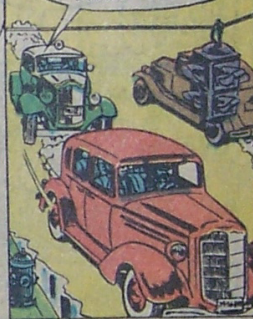
GO AT ONCE TO 2256 CRESCENT DRIVE! BRADLEY'S MARKET HAS BEEN ROBBED!

THIS IS THE THIRD TIME IN TWO MONTHS THAT SPOT'S BEEN HEISTED!

I KNOW RAY! YOU REMEMBER THE ROBBERY CALLS FROM TWO MONTHS BACK! YOU SURE HAVE A KEEN MEMORY!



JERRY—THAT SEDAN IN FRONT OF US—TAKE A GANDER AT THE LICENSE—34-56-8K! IT'S A STOLEN CAR!



IT'S THE SAME ONE THAT WAS USED IN THE TAVERN ROBBERY THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY!

CALL HEADQUARTERS—I'LL DRAW UP BESIDE 'EM!



HELLO, HEADQUARTERS! CAR 57 CALLING FROM 10TH AND VINE—HAVE SPOTTED STOLEN BANDIT CAR USED IN TAVERN HOLDUP TUESDAY! WE ARE GOING TO STOP IT!

THEY'RE DRAWIN' UP—GET SET!

HAVE YOUR GUN READY, RAY—HERE WE GO!

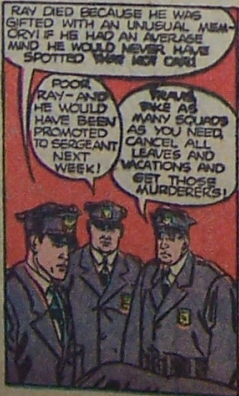
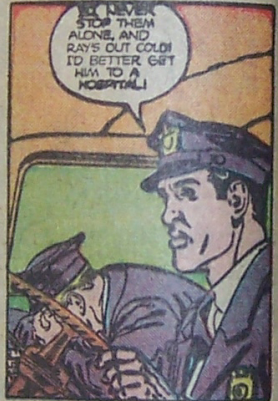


PULL OVER TO THE CURB!

WHAT'LL I DO, BILLT SHOULD I STOP?



OBEY THE LAW



OBEY THE LAW

DETECTIVE FRANCIS, YOU TEAM UP WITH MARTIN AND COVER EVERY HOTEL -

STURGIS, YOU TAKE THE DANCE HALLS -

THE REST OF YOU SPREAD OUT - LOOK IN AT THE POOL HALLS AND GIN MILLS AND KEEP YOUR EARS OPEN!

OFFICER PURDY, HERE'S A TICKET TO THE FIGHTS! KEEP YOUR EARS OPEN - MAYBE YOU'LL HEAR SOMETHING!

YES, SIR - BUT IT'LL BE JUST LUCK IF I DO! I CAN'T HEAR WHAT 6,000 PEOPLE ARE SAYING FROM ONE SEAT!

HIT 'EM AGAIN, MARLIN - IN THE KISSER!

HE'S MURDERIN' THE BUM! CAN I PICK 'EM OR CAN'T I? HUH SISTER, A KNOCKOUT INSIDE OF FOUR ROUNDS - JUST LIKE I BET!



WELL, SISTER, I JUST MADE A PILE OF DOUGH! YOU'VE BEEN LUCKY FOR ME - LET ME BUY YOU A DRINK TO SHOW YOU THAT I'M A GUY THAT APPRECIATES A SWELL GAL!

I REALLY SHOULDN'T - BUT ALL RIGHT - JUST ONE!

THE NEXT ONE'S ON ME - OR RATHER IT'S ON DYNAMITE MARLIN! WHEN HE KAYED LANSON IN THE FOURTH, I COLLECTED THREE GRAND!

SET 'EM UP, BARTENDER!

OKAY, BILL! DRINKS FOR THE HOUSE COMIN' UP!



AW, COME ON, SIS! HAVE ANOTHER TO CELEBRATE! IT ISN'T EVERY DAY I MEET A GAL LIKE YOU!

SOME OTHER TIME, HANDSOME! RIGHT NOW I NEED MY BEAUTY RESTIBESIBS. THERE'S ALWAYS TOMORROW!

YOU BET, SIS, AND TOMORROW, I COULD DO THINGS FOR A GIRL LIKE YOU - FURS, JEWELS - I GOT THE RIGHT CONNECTIONS!

I COULD TELL THAT THE MINUTE I SAW YOU - NOW, PLEASE CALL A CAB FOR ME, BILL!

SO YOU THINK YOU'VE UNCOVERED SOMETHING, OFFICER PURDY?

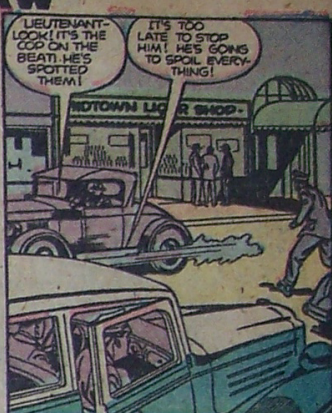
HE'S BILL DANTON, ALL RIGHT, AND HE'S THE TYPE WHO NEVER EARNED AN HONEST DOLLAR - THE ONLY WAY HE COULD GET A ROLL TO GAMBLE WITH WOULD BE BY STEALING IT!



OBEY THE LAW



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SORRY, SIR, ABOUT MESSING UP YOUR PLAN - IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR ME YOU AND THE BOYS WOULD HAVE HAD THEM RED-HANDED!

IT COULDN'T BE HELPED, JOHNSON, BUT IT SHOULDN'T BE TOO HARD TO NAB THE OTHER ONE BECAUSE WE'VE GOT A LINE ON HIM! YOU'RE LUCKY THAT BULLET ONLY GRATED YOUR SCALP - YOU BETTER SEE A DOCTOR RIGHT AWAY!



WE HAD A LITTLE TOUGH LUCK TONIGHT, PUDDY, AND YOUR PLAYMATE ESCAPED! YOU GO TO YOUR ROOM AT THE CARL HOTEL AND WAIT! YOU'LL BE HEARING FROM HIM! WE'LL ARRANGE WITH THE SWITCHBOARD SO YOU CAN TIP US OFF WHEN HE CALLS OR DROPS IN!



RIGHT, LIEUTENANT!

LATER THAT NIGHT...



IT MUST BE BILL!

YES, I'M COMING!

W-WHY HELLO BILL! I-I DIDN'T EXPECT TO SEE YOU AGAIN TONIGHT!

NEITHER DID I - SHUT THE DOOR, MARTY!



WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE SO LATE?

MARTY AND ME NEED A PLACE TO STAY FOR THE NIGHT, THAT'S ALL! MARTY GOT IN BAD WITH SOME TOUGH CUSTOMERS AND I'M LOOKIN' OUT FOR HIM! IT'S JUST FOR TONIGHT, BABY!



NICE LAYOUT YOUR DAME'S GOT, BILL! THOSE GUYS WOULD NEVER THINK OF LOOKING FOR US - ER - ME - HERE!



HEY, BABY - HOW ABOUT FIXIN' US SOME JAVA?

SURE, BILL, SURE!

MAKE YOURSELVES COMFY! I'LL HAVE THE COFFEE IN TWO SHAKES, HANDSOME!

SWELL, BABY, I'LL JUST LOOK AROUND! SAY, WHERE'S THAT DARN LIGHT-SWITCH IN THE DINING ROOM?



IT'S ON THE RIGHT! I FEEL AROUND.

WH - WHAT TH... COPS!!



OBEY THE LAW

OPEN UP! IT'S THE POLICE! THE PLACE IS SURROUNDED!

WARTY THERE'RE TWO COPS IN THE ALLEY! THEY MUST HAVE FOLLOWED US HERE! WE'VE GOT TO FLUS 'EM AND SCRAW!

I THINK THEY'VE SPOTTED THE BOYS OUT BACK! WE'LL HAVE TO BREAK IN NOW!

BANG! BANG! BANG! BANG! BANG! BANG! BANG! BANG!

DUCK! KNUCK!

PURDY'S OUT OF RANGE! FIRE AWAY!

BANG! BANG! BANG!

ARGH!!

CAN'T SEE... MY HEAD... OW... SOBY FAST... TAKE THOSE LOUSY COPERS WITH ME... THERE'S ONE...

BILL! DON'T SCOUND SCOUND!

THERE'S NOTHING TO DO NOW BUT CALL THE MORBUE, LIEUTENANT!

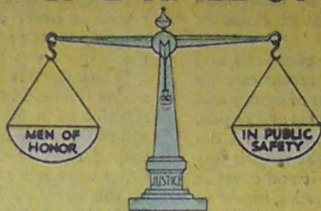
WE'RE SURE GLAD TO SEE YOU IN ONE PIECE, PURDY!

THANKS, LIEUTENANT! I HAD MY GUN HANDY JUST IN CASE! BUT THEY NEVER EVEN SUSPECTED ME!

ANOTHER TYPICAL ENDING FOR TWO SLUCKERS!

I HOPE THE TEACHERS SOME OTHER WOULD-BE CRIMINALS NOW CRIES ROSE OFF!

OUR POLICE HALL OF FAME



CHIEF CYRIL J. DONNELLY
SMITHTOWN, L. I., N. Y.



CHIEF CYRIL J. DONNELLY of the Smithtown, Long Island, police force, entered police work fifteen years ago. He decided at the start that in order to do an efficient job, it was necessary to get the proper training and experience. He has, through the years, attended more than twelve police schools all over the nation and is a graduate of the FBI school in Washington. "As we learn more and more about the use of chemical and mechanical devices for tracking down criminals," the Chief said, "a law enforcement officer's work becomes better and more accurate. Slowly the use of scientific devices is taking the guesswork out of detection. It is doing away with the long hours of toil that we used to go through in an effort to obtain evidence that in many cases wouldn't stand up in court. Today in most instances, our evidence cannot be refuted. It is based on accurate scientific observation, not on hunches or guesswork.

"Of course," Chief Donnelly continued, "the use of scientific devices does not do away with the need for intelligence and common sense. Science only serves as a tool, an important one, which the modern law enforcement officer utilizes in the detection of criminals. The day when all you needed in order to be a policeman was a badge, a uniform and a gun are gone forever. Today criminal investigation and law enforcement has become a bona fide profession, and its officers must be highly skilled specialists."

Chief Donnelly insists that all recruits and members of his force take continuous police specialized training. He runs a police school most of the year and regularly attends Fordham University for up-to-date courses dealing with modern scientific investigation.

"You know," Chief Donnelly said, "it even

amazes me at times to find what can be done with the proper application of scientific devices. I have worked on, and successfully broken, every conceivable type of case by using both simple and extremely complicated scientific apparatus.

"One of the simplest uses of chemicals and chemical reaction occurred in a recent case we had in the local high school. Sums of money and wallets had been taken from teachers and pupils, but no specific youngster was suspected. I decided that the only way to trap the culprit was to plant a wallet with money in it and cover it with a colorless powder. This powder, innocent looking, turns the skin blue on contact. Within two days we caught a boy."

Chief Donnelly has done a great deal of important work with the youths of the community. He believes that youthful offenders shouldn't be indicted immediately, but that at first the police officers should work with the youths' parents, schools and religious groups. "I will never be willing to call a youngster a criminal until all of the prime forces in his life, the church, home and school," have tried to work with him and straighten him out."

Excellent examples of the type of work that Chief Donnelly does with the youths of Smithtown are his recreational and Hallowe'en programs. The Chief works in close cooperation with the schools and local boys' clubs to keep the children under proper guidance at all times. He is a former member of the school board and a frequent lecturer at the Parent-Teachers Association.

"For a number of years we had quite a bit of trouble on Hallowe'en. The youths weren't malicious, merely mischievous. However, a fair amount of real damage was done. One day, before Hallowe'en, I decided to have a talk with the kids. I went to the school and spoke to them. I told them that everyone likes to have fun on Hallowe'en but that there was no reason for any damage to be done. I gave them the do's and don't's of having fun. I wound up by telling them that they were to be their own policeman. We wouldn't interfere with their fun as long as they stayed within the limits I set. You know, since that day we have never had any damage on Hallowe'en!"

One of the most interesting cases that Chief Donnelly has solved through the use of scientific detection plus quick action and common sense is an arson case that happened recently. "One night, after almost everyone in town had gone to bed, there was a terrific explosion in one of the better residential sections. Houses for blocks around had their windows shattered and immediately the whole town was awake. I went out to the house and found it a roaring inferno. It took our fire department over three hours just to bring the fire under control. The impact of the explosion was tremendous. Windows on the

house were blown fifty feet; and one corner of the house had shifted six inches off the foundation. "Fortunately there was no one home at the time of the explosion but the damage was estimated at over \$40,000. I was immediately mated at over \$40,000. I was immediately suspicious because the owners were away and the furnace was not on.

"Once the fire had subsided, I went in to examine the ruins. Off in one corner I found the remains of a 50-gallon barrel that had been saturated with oil. Close by were some oil-soaked rags. It was definitely an arson case. Clues were few and far between. However, one of the firemen, the first to reach the scene, noticed a black coupe leaving the house and managed to get the last two numbers on the license plate. Not much, but it was something.

"The next morning I received a phone call from a doctor who lived about two miles from the scene of the crime. He reported that about an hour after the fire had started, he was leaving his house on a sick call when he found a 5-gallon oil can, a brown sweater singed in the front, and an oil filter. I took the clues and analyzed them thoroughly. It was conclusively proven that the oil left in the can was the same as that which started the fire and that the sweater was singed with the same oil. The oil filter was from a 1940 Plymouth coupe.

"At last I knew the path of the criminal. He had left the house as the firemen were arriving and he got rid of his singed sweater and the oil can as soon as he was safely out of sight. The oil filter remained a mystery. From this point on I checked and rechecked the records trying to determine ownership of the black Plymouth coupe. I narrowed it down to a dozen cars in the New York area and followed them up with careful investigation. The first five car owners I visited knew absolutely nothing. When I reached the sixth and began to question him, the suspect seemed too willing to help. He was over-eager. Finally I asked in passing if I could look in the trunk to see if there were any further parts, or an oil filter. He answered quickly, 'Oh, I just got a new oil filter but it was stolen from the back seat.' I knew I had my man.

"From this point on, it was merely a matter of confronting the criminal with the detailed, scientific evidence and he soon confessed. He received a stiff sentence and is now safely away from society. The evidence was so exact that the confession was unnecessary; I had him convicted without his confession."

Chief Donnelly has found that the intelligent use of science in detection is a great aid to the police. He spends much of his spare time experimenting in his up-to-date laboratory, working out new ways to bring criminals to justice. Smithtown is not a healthy place for criminals for they have Chief Cyril Donnelly and his scientific approach to contend with.

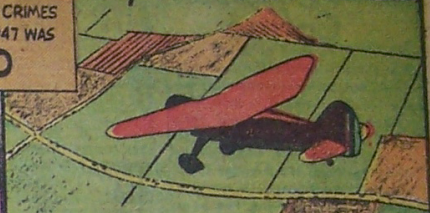
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SCIENCE VS THE CRIMINAL!

by CLAUDE H. MOORE

COMMUNICATIONS

THE NUMBER OF CRIMES REPORTED IN 1947 WAS
1,665,110



LARGE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENTS ARE MAKING USE OF THE AIRPLANE TO CONTROL TRAFFIC - REPORT HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS AND ROAD CONGESTION! TWO-WAY RADIO COMMUNICATION TO HEADQUARTERS MAKES IT POSSIBLE TO RELAY MESSAGES ABOUT ROAD PROBLEMS TO PATROL CARS IN ANY LOCATION - A PATROL CAR CAN THEN BE ON THE SPOT IN A MATTER OF A FEW MINUTES!

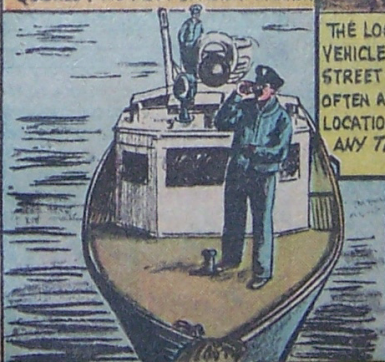
IN ALL LARGE CITIES - THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS OPERATE THEIR OWN COMMUNICATION SYSTEM - ALL CALLS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR HELP ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE POLICE CONTROL CENTER WHICH CONTACTS THE SQUAD CAR - BOAT - PLANE OR MOTORCYCLE - PATROL WAGON - EMERGENCY CREW - FIRE TRUCK - BOMB SQUAD - ETC., AND GETS IT TO THE NEEDED PLACE IN THE QUICKEST AND MOST EFFICIENT MANNER



THE LOCATION OF EVERY POLICE VEHICLE IS MARKED ON A LARGE STREET MAP AND CHANGED AS OFTEN AS A CAR REPORTS ITS NEW LOCATION - THE PATROL NEAREST ANY TROUBLE IS RADIOED TO INVESTIGATE!



POLICE "CALL" BOXES, LOCATED STRATEGICALLY THROUGHOUT THE CITY, PROVIDE A MEANS FOR THE BEAT-WALKER TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH HEADQUARTERS



POLICE BOATS UPHOLD THE LAW ALONG THE WATER FRONT AND PROTECT PROPERTY THERE! THEY TOO ARE EQUIPPED WITH RADIO-TELEPHONE AND ARE IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH THE POLICE CONTROL ROOM!



RADIO PATROLS FREQUENTLY CATCH ROBBERS BEFORE THEY LEAVE THE SCENE OF THEIR CRIME!

C.H. Moore
2/49

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by Sidney M. Elias

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Coffee

COFFEE to most of us is a drink taken with our food at meal times, but, to many people especially the Brazilians, it is their life's work, their livelihood, and their countries' most important product. In appreciation of what coffee means to them, the Brazilian Government issued a special postage stamp in 1938, showing two bags of Brazilian coffee and a branch of the coffee tree with ripe, red berries.

Although Brazil produces two-thirds of the world's supply of coffee, approximately two billion



Brazilian Coffee Stamp

pounds annually, many other nations located in Central and South America also produce millions of pounds annually. Colombia, with 325 million pounds per year is the second largest producer of coffee. The Colombians have for a number of years issued regular postage and air mail stamps featuring coffee cultivation, coffee picking and coffee berries. In addition to these countries, Salvador, Venezuela, Costa Rica, Liberia, and others have printed postage stamps honoring coffee.

The history of coffee dates back to the 15th Century when it was used by the Mohammedans in Mocha, Arabia, first as a means to keep them awake in their prayers and then as a beverage. It is believed that the Arabs brought back with them some of the berries which they found growing wild in Abyssinia. (Here's where you get the name Mocha Coffee.) In the 17th Century the Dutch brought coffee plants to Batavia, Java (Java Coffee), and in the 18th Century others brought plants to the West Indies and Central and South America. Coffee drinking was not introduced into Europe until 1551, when some travelers to Egypt and Turkey brought coffee berries back home with them.

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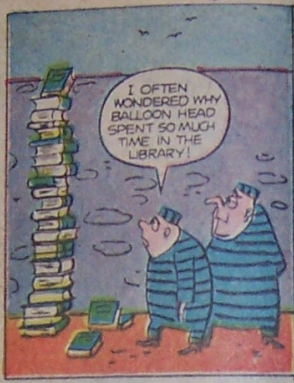
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Dear Readers:

In every issue of CRIME AND PUNISHMENT this page is devoted to your opinions, ideas and suggestions. Since the conception of CRIME AND PUNISHMENT, we have been guided by two ideals—first, the eradication of crime, and second, to give credit to the fearless detectives and officers of the law who daily risk their lives that you and we may live in a more lawful society.

CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

I want to congratulate you on your splendid magazine CRIME AND PUNISHMENT. Your fine stories clearly show that crime does not pay. It's doing a wonderful job in strengthening the morals of Americans—both young and old.

Leonard George
68 East 97th Street
New York 29, N. Y.

Your magazine is the best and I'm sure it will save many from a life of crime, like myself. I always wanted to be a crook, but since I have been reading your magazine I have changed my mind. Now I want to be a detective, instead of working on the losing side of the law, thanks to you and CRIME AND PUNISHMENT.

G. H.

Congratulations! Your fine magazine CRIME AND PUNISHMENT is certainly doing a tremendous job in the eradication of crime. It shows clearly, through the ignorance and misfortunes of others, that crime does not pay,

W. J. Deptula
102 Hamilton Ave.
St. George, S. L. I
New York

I have found CRIME AND PUNISHMENT to be one of the best magazines in aiding youth to fight against crime. I want to compliment you on this fine magazine which is the best guidance possible for both children and grown-ups. Keep up your wonderful work.

Dolores Raplin
10701 Amor Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

A survey was recently made in our neighborhood on "what comic magazine do you like best?" By an overwhelming majority, CRIME AND PUNISHMENT and its companion magazines CRIME DOES NOT

PAY, DAREDEVIL, BOY and BLACK DIAMOND were voted top favorites. Your magazine has done much to reduce juvenile delinquency. Keep up the good work.

Delores Conley
1308 Lydia
Kansas City, Mo.

I've read your magazine CRIME AND PUNISHMENT ever since it first came out. I think it's very educational. I am a youngster and as I read your magazine each month I can see that I would never turn towards crime. I believe there are a lot of children who believe as I do, because we have all learned from CRIME AND PUNISHMENT.

Mary Gordon
1720 San Franco
Los Angeles 33, Calif.

After reading CRIME AND PUNISHMENT I find that it is the kind of magazine every family should read. It helps both children and adults to realize that they can't get away with crime without being punished. My husband and I are going to pass our magazines along to other families, so that they can benefit from reading CRIME AND PUNISHMENT too.

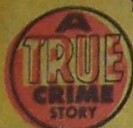
Mrs. Clayton Keel
Route 1, Box 184
Snow Hill, N. C.

About two weeks ago a friend of mine gave me two copies of CRIME AND PUNISHMENT. Boy, were they good! I enjoyed them so much that I have organized a club in honor of your magazine. Every afternoon/after school we take care of children who are playing outside without any supervision.

Patricia Hollister
Blackvill Road, RFD
Washington, Conn.

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the CLUE of THE SECRET NUMBER!

SHERIFF CLIFFORD AND HIS SON LAY MURDERED IN THE ROAD. ONLY AN AUTOMOBILE SERIAL NUMBER COULD IDENTIFY THE KILLERS— BUT IT HAD BEEN REMOVED!



IT'S THE '42' SEDAN ALL RIGHT—AND THE MOTOR HEAD'S BEEN REMOVED.

THEY MUST HAVE COME OFF THE ROAD AT THE TOP OF THE CLIFF AND TRIED TO FIND THE TROUBLE, THEN JUNKED IT WHEN THEY COULDN'T!

DESPITE THEIR EFFORTS TO DESTROY ALL IDENTIFYING MARKS ON THIS SEDAN, THE KILLERS OVERLOOKED ONE ITEM, AND IT WAS ENOUGH TO GIVE INVESTIGATORS THE CLUE THEY NEEDED TO SEND THEM TO THE CHAIR!

Art by JOSEPH GASLARDI

IN AUGUST, 1947, TWO RUTHLESS CHARACTERS, LUTHER AND JESSE PALEY, DESCENDED LIKE A PLAGUE OVER THE SOUTH...

DON'T BOTHER WITH THE CUSTOMERS THIS TIME, JESSE! JUST GET WHAT'S IN THE CASH REGISTER!

OKAY, BUT ANYONE WHO FOOLS WITH ME GETS WHAT THAT WISE-GUY GROCER GOT!

REACH BOYS! THE FIRST ONE THAT MOVES, GETS CUT DOWN!

YOU, BARTENDER—OPEN THAT CASH REGISTER!

I'M NOT ARGUING WITH GUNS! HELP YOURSELF!

I TOLD YOU TO OPEN IT! YOU DON'T OBEY ORDERS WELL!



OBEY THE LAW



OBEDY THE LAW

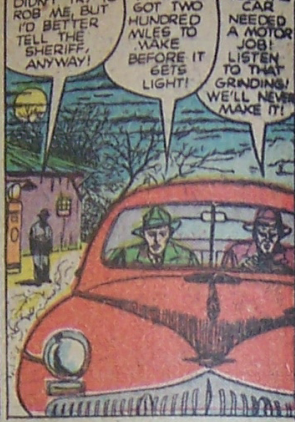


HOW MANY, SIR?

FILL 'ER UP! AND CHECK THE OIL AND WATER, TOO, WILL YA?



BULLET HOLES! NOW AIN'T THAT FUNNY! AND THERE'S SOMETHIN' QUEER ABOUT THE WAY THEM GUYS ARE HIDIN' THEIR FACES! I'LL TRY TO GET A GOOD LOOK AT 'EM WHEN I WIPE THE WINDSHIELD!



WELL, THEY DIDN'T TRY TO ROB ME, BUT I'D BETTER TELL THE SHERIFF, ANYWAY!

STEP ON IT! WE'VE GOT TWO HUNDRED MILES TO WAKE BEFORE IT GETS LIGHT!

I TOLD YOU THE CAR NEEDED A MOTOR JOB! LISTEN TO THAT GRINDING! WE'LL NEVER MAKE IT!



ANDY MILLER? YEAH THIS IS SHERIFF CLIFFORD! WHAT IS THE MATTER, ANDY?



...AN' THESE TWO GUYS LOOKED SUSPICIOUS, AND THE CAR HAD BULLET HOLES IN THE BACK LIKE SOMEONE HAD TAKEN SHOTS AT 'EM! THEY HEADED SOUTH ON HIGHWAY 25!

THANKS, ANDY! SEE YOU LATER!



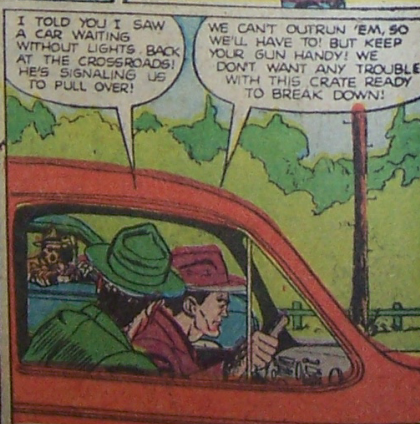
WHEN CARS SHOW UP WITH BULLET HOLES, I WANT TO KNOW WHY! YOU DRIVE, SON!

IF WE WAIT AT THE JUNCTION OF 25 AND 61, WE CAN PROBABLY SPOT THEM, DAD... THEY'LL HAVE TO GO BY THERE!



THAT MUST BE THEM, NOW, DAD! ANDY SAID IT WAS A 1942 SEDAN!

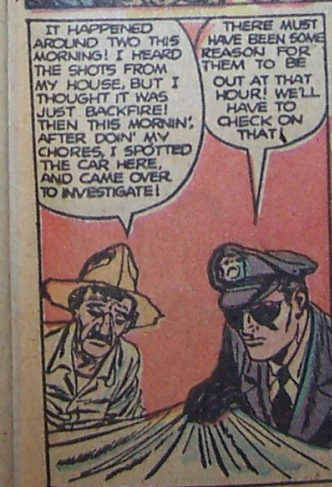
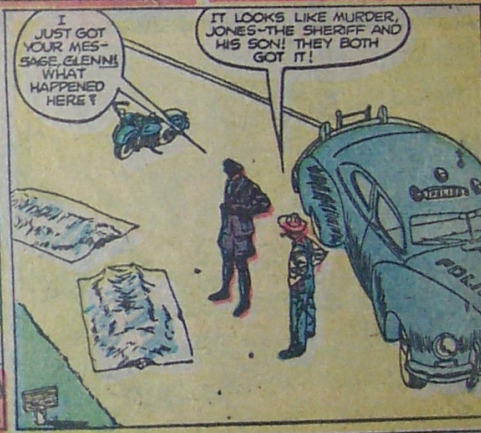
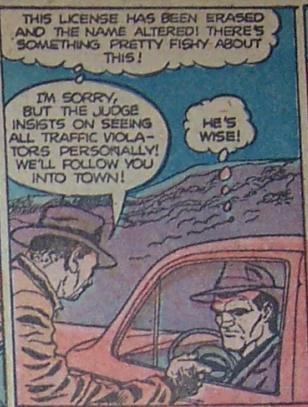
OKAY—DRAW UP ALONGSIDE OF 'EM!



I TOLD YOU I SAW A CAR WAITING WITHOUT LIGHTS BACK AT THE CROSSROADS! HE'S SIGNALING US TO PULL OVER!

WE CAN'T OUTFRIN 'EM, SO WE'LL HAVE TO! BUT KEEP YOUR GUN HANDY! WE DON'T WANT ANY TROUBLE WITH THIS CRATE READY TO BREAK DOWN!

OBHEY TIE LAW



OBEDY THE LAW



GO ON WITH YOUR DESCRIPTION OF THE MEN, ANDY!

WELL, LIKE I SAID, THEY WERE BOTH ABOUT THIRTY, AND MEAN-LOOKING GUSSES! THEY WERE DRIVING A 1942 SEDAN! THE MOTOR MADE AN ODD NOISE!



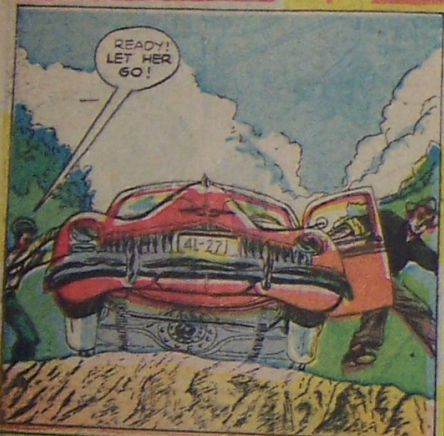
IT'S NO USE, LUTHER! THE CAR WON'T GO ANY FURTHER! A CONNECTING ROD'S SNAPPED! WE'LL HAVE TO DITCH IT!

THIS CAR'S HOTTER THAN A GUSHER ANYHOW! WE'LL RUN HER OVER THE CLIFF! GET ME A FILE AND THAT CAN OF GAS WE GOT IN THE TRUNK!



FILE OFF THE SERIAL NUMBERS GOOD AND DEEP! WE DON'T WANT THE COPS TRACING IT BACK TO US!

DON'T WORRY, I'LL FILE IT CLEAN DOWN TO THE MOTOR BLOCK, AND THEN SOME! JUST POUR THE GAS ALL OVER! WE DON'T WANNA LEAVE NOTHIN' BUT A CHARRED WRECK!



READY! LET HER GO!



BY THE TIME ANYONE COMES TO INVESTIGATE THE FIRE, THERE WON'T BE ANYTHING LEFT - AND NO WAY OF TRACING THE KILLING TO US!

WE'LL HITCH-HIKE TO THE NEAREST CITY AND GRAB ANOTHER CAR! THEN WE'LL TAKE THINGS EASY AT MY AUNT'S OFF!



I'VE BEEN NOTICING THAT THIN WISP OF SMOKE ALL DAY, DAD - IT'S ON OUR PROPERTY AND A GOOD WIND MIGHT SPREAD THE FIRE! WE OUGHTTA TAKE A LOOK!

WE'LL GO AFTER MILKIN'S!



SO THAT'S WHAT WAS BURNING! IT MUST'VE GONE OVER THE CLIFF - THE DRIVER MUST HAVE BEEN TRAPPED INSIDE!

UGH! WHAT A WAY TO DIE!



IT'S STILL TOO HOT! I CAN'T GET NEAR ENOUGH TO LOOK IN!

YOU WON'T HAVE TO, DAD - IT'S EMPTY!



EMPTY!
BUT THE CLIFFS
A HUNDRED YARDS
OFF THE HIGHWAY!
SOMEONE MUST HAVE
DRIVEN THAT CAR OVER!
IT'S A CINCH IT DIDN'T
JUST ROLL OFF
BY ITSELF,
UNLESS...

UNLESS
SOMEONE
DELIBERATELY
SET FIRE TO IT,
AND PUSHED IT
OFF! AND NOBODY
DOES THAT TO A
GOOD CAR UN-
LESS HE HAS A
REASON FOR IT!
THIS IS A CASE
FOR THE
SHERIFF!



FOLLOW THAT
LANE YONDER, SER-
GEANT! YOU'LL FIND
WHAT'S LEFT OF THE
CAR IN A THICKET ABOUT
A HUNDRED YARDS
FURTHER ON!

MUCH OBLIGED
FOR THE QUICK CALL,
SON! THIS MIGHT BE
THE CAR WE'RE
LOOKING FOR!



I'M KEEPING
MY FINGERS
CROSSED! IT'S
A '42" SEDAN!



LOOK-THE
MOTOR HEAD'S
BEEN REMOVED!
REMEMBER ANDY
MILLER SAID THE
MOTOR SOUNDED
FUNNY? THEY
MUST HAVE COME
OFF THE ROAD AT
THE TOP OF THE
CLIFF AND TRIED
TO FIND THE
TROUBLE!

THEY FOUND
IT ALL RIGHT! SEE
HERE WHERE A
CONNECTING ROD
SNAPPED AND
WENT INTO THE
CYLINDER WALL?
THERE WASN'T
ANYTHING THEY
COULD DO ABOUT
IT SO THEY
JUNKED IT!



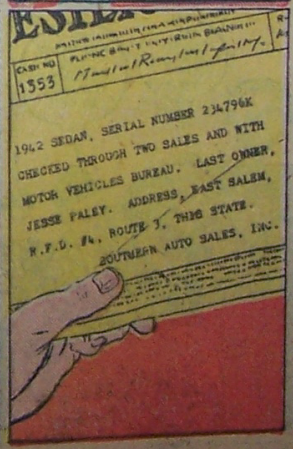
BUT
FIRST THEY
HAMMERED
OUT THE
SERIAL
NUMBER
SO IT
COULDN'T
BE
TRACED!

BUT THERE'S
ALWAYS THE
MANUFACTURER'S
SECRET NUMBER! SUR-
PRISING HOW FEW
PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT
THAT! WE'LL FIND OUT
WHERE IT IS FROM
THE DEALER IN
TOWN!



THAT DOES
IT, SERGEANT!
THAT'S YOUR SERIAL
NUMBER, A
LITTLE THE WORSE
FOR RUST, GREASE
AND FIRE, BUT
MURIATIC ACID WILL
BRING OUT THE
FIGURES!

SWELL!
I CAN'T WAIT
TO BEGIN
TRACING THE
CAR TO ITS
OWNER!



1942 SEDAN, SERIAL NUMBER 234796K
CHECKED THROUGH TWO SALES AND WITH
MOTOR VEHICLES BUREAU. LAST OWNER,
JESSE PALEY. ADDRESS, EAST SALEM,
W.F.D. 74, ROUTE 3, THIS STATE.
SOUTHERN AUTO SALES, INC.



IT'S OUR
FIRST HOT
LEAD, DAN!
LET'S GO OUT
AND SEE WHAT
WE CAN GET
ON THIS
GUY!

GOOD IDEA,
BUT LET'S NOT GO
IN UNIFORM! IF HE
DID MURDER THE
SHERIFF AND HIS SON,
HE MIGHT GET NER-
VOUS AND START
BLASTING AS SOON
AS WE COME IN
SIGHT!

OBEY THE LAW

JESSE PALEY? HE'S NOT HERE NOW... HE WON'T BE IN TILL TOMORROW NIGHT! I'M HIS AUNT- BOTH HE AND HIS BROTHER LUTHER'LL BE HERE THEN! WHY? ARE YOU FROM THE PAROLE OFFICE? I'M SURE HIS RECORD 'S CLEAR!

WE'RE JUST MAKING A ROUTINE CHECK-UP! I'M NOT EVEN SURE JESSE IS THE MAN WE'RE INTERESTED IN!



HAVE YOU A PICTURE WE COULD COMPARE WITH OUR RECORDS? WE'LL BE GLAD TO RETURN IT TO YOU!

IT ISN'T VERY GOOD BUT THAT'S ALL I HAVE! THAT'S JESSE WITH THE WHITE SHIRT! AND THE OTHER ONE'S HIS BROTHER LUTHER!



WHAT LUCK! IF ANDY MILLER IDENTIFIES THEM, WE CAN BE ON HAND TO HAVE A HOMECOMING CELEBRATION TOMORROW NIGHT!

IT'S THEM, SERGEANT! YOU FOUND 'EM! I COULD SWEAR TO IT, EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE IN THE DARK AND KEEPIN' THEIR FACES FROM ME! I GOT A GOOD LOOK WHEN I CLEANED THEIR WINDSHIELD!



THAT MAY BE THE PALEY BOYS NOW! IT SURE WAS A SMART MOVE ON THE SERGEANT'S PART, STAKING US OUT SO WE COULD RADIO AHEAD!



THOSE KILLERS WILL RUN INTO A TRAP!

THIS IS DAN, SARGE! A BIG CONVERTIBLE JUST SHOT YOUR WAY! I'M PRETTY SURE IT WAS THEM- GOOD LUCK!



THAT MUST BE THEM NOW!

QUICK! ROLL THE TRUCK INTO THE ROAD, LOUI! GET ON THE LIGHTS! REMEMBER I WANT THEM ALIVE IF POSSIBLE!

LOOK! IT'S THE COPS! THEY MUSTA FOUND OUT WE WERE COMING!



THERE'S NO ROOM TO GO AROUND 'EM! DARN THE LIGHT- IT'S BLINDING ME!

DON'T MAKE A MOVE, PALEY- YOU HAVEN'T GOT A CHANCE!



OKAY, OKAY! WE GIVE UP!

LOOK OUT, HE'S GOIN' FOR A GUN!



I'LL BLAST EVERY ONE OF YOU!

IF YOU WONT COME PEACEFULLY IT'S OKAY BY ME!

GO ON, CRY BABY, GET IN THERE! I'LL BET A JURY WON'T TAKE AN HOUR TO SEND YOU TO THE CHAIR!



THEY LIKE SCHOOLBOYS CAUGHT IN A COOKIE JAR SARGE! FUNNY HOW ALL THESE SO-CALLED TOUGH GUYS START CRINGING WHEN THEY'RE CAUGHT!

The End

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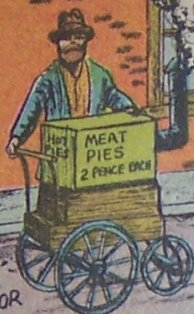
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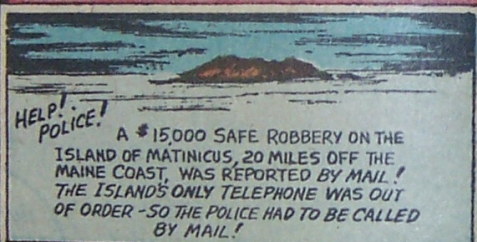
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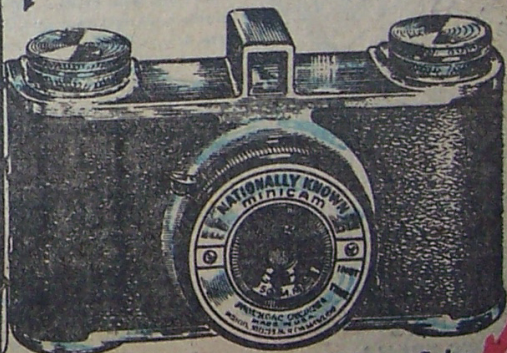
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